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IRIS BUYER'S GUIDE and WISH BOOK FOR 1961

How You Gain By Ordering REAL EARLY

1. By ordering in the spring or early summer you are practically certain of getting all of those choice varieties you particularly want, and that may be sold out if you wait. I have large stocks now, but by midsummer I am likely to be out of several dozen varieties.
2. On orders of \$15.00 or more you get an **EXTRA \$5.00 Premium**, beyond the regular free Premium, if you mail your order within 15 days. See page 20.
3. Early birds can get in, before stocks are exhausted, on either or both of my exclusive "2 for 1" and "3 for 1" offers, namely, my world-famous **Secret Variety Game** (page 24), or my new **Super Buys** and **Lucky Super Buys**, explained below at right.
4. Up to Aug. 10 you can qualify as a **TESTER** & get 2 for price of 1 on re-blooming varieties marked with yellow symbols in front of names: ■, ▲ & ●. See page 3.
5. By ordering and making payment before July 1 you may take part in my great 1961 **IRIS LOVERS' SWEEPSTAKES**, in which you may win Iris worth 3 times as much as the sum of all your 1961 orders. (See page 20 and bottom of order blanks.)
6. By getting your order in real early, you get **delivery at beginning of our 3-month shipping season**. This insures well-established plants in your garden for finest spring bloom. Early summer planting of Iris is very desirable everywhere, and is quite necessary for the best results in the colder parts of the country.

SO DON'T DELAY — IT WILL PAY YOU WELL TO MAIL THAT ORDER TODAY

YOU MAY ORDER IRIS ON CREDIT

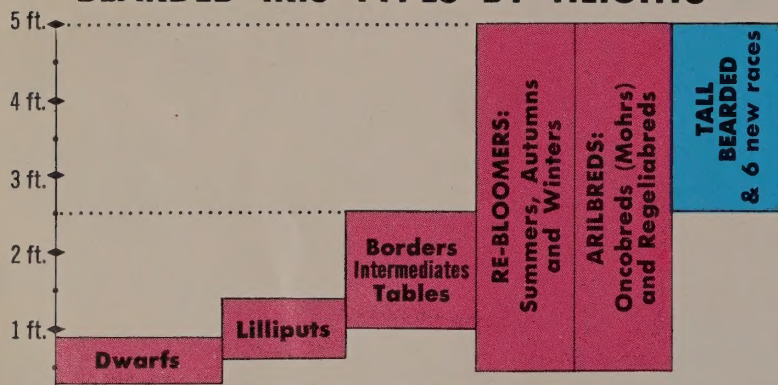
If you do not have sufficient ready cash available during the spring months to enable you to order as much as you really want & to enjoy all the very substantial benefits of early ordering listed above, send in your **full order right away, anyway**. This substantial credit is real **WEALTH** for you, but only when you use it to bring to you Iris you so badly want to order NOW, without waiting to save up & take a chance on the varieties you want being gone. No down payment is required. If your early order is \$15.00 or more it will qualify you to use my **low discounted prices** all thru the catalog, & you will also have all of the other very substantial benefits of early ordering listed above, and the 5 benefits shown on page 20 for \$15.00 orders. Send your payments as your funds become available, any time before shipping, which usually starts around July 1.

Don't Overlook These 10 Offers!

MY FAVORITES—Each year hundreds of letters ask my assistance in selecting the most outstanding varieties and best buys for the year. So, in an effort to be helpful, I have made up standard assortments of my personal favorites in the 9 different races of Iris where you find the "MY FAVORITE" offer. As these groups are standardized for rapid handling, so I can give you the **MOST for the money**, they are not subject to modification. I take fully into account that most people want to get just as much as they possibly can for their money. So I will not include any scarce kinds, but those very choice ones (all labeled) where my stocks permit filling your order with a generosity that will amaze you. In fact, I'll **GUARANTEE** you'll get greater value this way than by selecting varieties yourself under any of my wonderful discount offers. I'm making these collections available in units of **\$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00, \$50.00 and \$100.00** to fit all pocketbooks. The **\$10.00 and \$25.00 groups are my main features as these are where the really choice ones begin to appear**. On the \$25.00 groups, your eyes will pop out with astonishment & joy, for on any of these you get **FREE ANY ONE** of these \$12.50 values: Pink Unicorn, Spooned Fantom, Chartreuse Chalice or Horned Rosyred. Take my word for it; try at least 1 or 2 of these offers, or better, 3 at the very special price; I know you'll be back soon for more. See these pages now: 6, 10, 12, 17, 19, 26, 35, 38 & 42. Any 3 \$5.00 units for **\$12.95**; any 3 \$10 units for **\$24.95**. Orders containing My Favorites are shipped mostly in late July & early August; later if desired. See voluntary testimonial on "My Favorites" on p. 29.

My Favorites in Wide Assortment—No. 14—This comprehensive group starts at \$10.00, has \$25.00 as its main feature, so I can include a wide array of different races, colors & blooming seasons. Available in units of **\$10.00, \$25.00, \$50.00 and \$100.00**, as you prefer.

BEARDED IRIS TYPES BY HEIGHTS



Note how very limited you are in available heights if you have only Tall Bearded varieties, as shown in **BLUE**. Rounding out your Iris plantings with other interesting types of Iris makes it much easier and more exciting to plan attractive, long-blooming garden beds. For while you are arranging by heights you are automatically getting various blooming times, as shown in chart on page 43. Arrange your Iris beds with the low Dwarfs and Lilliputs as edgings along paths or next to lawn. Farther back, use gradually taller and taller kinds for the most effective displays and full visibility. Different varieties of the same type vary greatly in height, especially in the twice-blooming Summers, Autumns and Winters. See first line of descriptions for heights of individual varieties.

My 20 New Beauty-Blessed Introductions for 1961

HERE'S VARIETY FOR YOU: Yearning for something really new and different, and not just slight refinements in substance, color or form in the familiar Tall Bearded Iris? I specialize in Iris of distinctive beauty, in a great diversity of different races. For 1961 I present, for your approval, debutants in eight different races of Iris, thus giving you unprecedented variety to choose from in making your new acquisitions for the year.

FIVE REAL FIRSTS FOR 1961: 1. The world's very first truly Flounced Iris varieties, presented on front and back covers as the most advanced of my Space-Age offerings; 2. The first Spooned Iris with fringed spoons, also on the 2 covers; 3. The first horned Iris to sport double horns, page 44; 4. The first horned Re-Bloomer, Taurus, page 8; 5. The first completely double Iris, Double Rose, page 13.

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You can immediately identify the descriptions of these twenty 1961 introductions as they all appear in their respective categories, on this same turquoise background.

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How many of these do you have in YOUR garden?

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SUPER BUYS and LUCKY SUPER BUYS—New for '61

The OPPORTUNITY You've Been Waiting For

I've designed these 2 remarkable offers expressly for the busy person who does not have time to ferret out the final capitals in my Secret Variety game that is so popular each year with thousands of my customers. **This new offer takes no time at all!** You simply can't miss these varieties as they're spotlighted in blue or red.

Five varieties, scattered thru 4 different races, are flagged as shown at right. With any or all of these you get **2 rhizomes for the price of 1** on any order of \$15.00 or more, as noted at the end of each of these variety descriptions. But note that when I say 2 for 1, I do not mean 1 for half price, nor 2 in collections or free offers. You get 2 for the single price on these 5 varieties only if you show "2" on your order, & as long as our supply lasts. So hurry!

Seven varieties, in 5 races & with 5 in natural color, are flagged as shown at right. With all of these except the new & expensive Horned Lace (page 14) you get 2 for the price of 1 on a \$15.00 order; or, 3 for the price of 1 on a \$25.00 order. See how rewarding it is to build your order up a little, perhaps by getting a friend or two to order with you; then you can divide up the booty & in that way get yours for ½ or ⅓ price. On bigger orders I can afford to give better values, so plan to get up where you reap the full harvest of benefits listed on page 20.

SUPER BUY
2 FOR PRICE OF 1

LUCKY SUPER BUY
2 OR 3 FOR PRICE OF 1

Feature Offerings and Star Performers for 1961

I can see that, when there are so many to choose from, selection can be quite difficult. So this year I have brilliantly spotlighted with background color & as **FEATURE OFFERINGS**, my finest varieties in each major race of the popular inexpensive Iris. For those who impatiently yearn for a taste of the alluring new creations, only recently released by the country's leading hybridizers, I signalize my recommendations of these in starred boxes, as **STAR PERFORMERS**. Many of both are in full color.

Be on the lookout for these, and no matter what else you order this year, be sure to include some of these. Think what they will do for your garden! Look what a superb & varied collection you would have if you were to order my **FEATURE OFFERING** in all 13 types & races in which I offer these. So that you can do just that, and not have to put a mortgage on the house, I'll send all 13 of my **FEATURE OFFERINGS** (a \$26.25 value) for **only \$16.95** & I'll include as a **FREE extra your choice of ANY ONE** of the 13 Star Performers, except Giant Rose & Giant Clematis, which are exceedingly scarce. It'll be a **lucky day** when you plant these 14 Iris in YOUR garden!

MUCH LOWER PRICES FOR '61

Wherever my stocks have increased enough to keep ahead of the demand, I have dropped my Regular 1961 prices way below what they were last year. Then, for all who order \$15.00 worth or more, I am listing Catalog Sale Prices for almost all varieties. These represent substantial discounts from the new low Regular prices.

Here Are My 3 Races of TWICE-BLOOMERS, Or REMONTANTS That Give You the Most For Your Money

RE-BLOOMING or 2-SEASON IRIS

World Headquarters for the 3 Races of These "Double-Pleasure" Iris

SUMMER RE-BLOOMERS (pages 4, 5, 6), AUTUMN RE-BLOOMERS (pages 7-10) and WINTER REBLOOMERS (pages 11-12)

MUCH LONGER ENJOYMENT OF IRIS BLOOM

The spring bloom of the ordinary once-blooming Iris varieties covers only a few WEEKS, but the Summer & Autumn bloom of the heaviest Re-Bloomers often extends more or less continuously for 4 to 6 MONTHS. And on top of that, most Re-Bloomers start their spring bloom 1 to 5 weeks before the Tall Bearded. Thus they lengthen your Iris season at BOTH ends. So you see how much longer you can enjoy your Iris when you spend your hard-earned cash for re-blooming varieties. Re-blooming periods vary greatly from variety to variety & also from locality to locality, but whatever bloom you get in Summer, Fall or Winter is a definite plus value. Oftentimes this "blooming bonus" will amaze you & all of your friends.

SCOPE OF MY OFFERINGS IN RE-BLOOMING IRIS—Country-wide demand for Re-Bloomers has been mounting by leaps and bounds. As the Nation's only specialist in this important field, I have endeavored to keep pace with the growing desires of the country's Iris lovers. My 1957 catalog devoted 3½ pages to Re-Bloomers & showed 3 kinds in color. In 1960 I expanded the re-blooming races to 8 pages & showed 22 varieties in life-like color. Now, for 1961 I am devoting 10 full pages to Re-Bloomers & am showing you color photographs of 26 varieties—the world's only color plates of re-blooming Iris! For the past 16 years I have had the world's only extensive offerings in re-blooming Iris. My offerings have been gradually built up to where I now offer 140 varieties from 52 hybridizers in 17 states.

Be a RE-BLOOMING TESTER

And Get Many Re-Bloomers at 2 FOR THE PRICE OF 1

In order to gather a fund of needed information on re-blooming behavior in diverse climates, I am setting up 1961 as the year for establishing thousands of home test gardens in all sections of the country. I want YOU to participate, so I am making it easy to qualify & am making the rewards for TESTERS too great to pass up. In the Summer, Autumn & Winter races this offer takes the place of both my Secret Varieties & my Super Buys. Here's the dope:

A. To insure that each Home Test Garden has a reasonably adequate assortment of re-blooming varieties, planted early & at the same time, & thus a reliable basis for comparison, to qualify you must order, before Aug. 10, 1961, at least 15 re-blooming varieties, or a smaller number of these for which the payment totals \$20.00 or more. The ones you order to qualify may be selected anywhere on pages 4 to 12 inclusive, but the 2 for 1 offer applies only to those marked with yellow symbols in front of the names, as explained below.

B. By ordering under the TESTER plan you agree to send me at least 1 or 2 simple reports (on forms that I will send you about April, 1962) on the extent and dates of re-blooming of all of your twice-bloomers, new and old.

C. All who qualify, as outlined above, are eligible to order as follows:

1. Any of the 22 varieties marked ■ in front of the name may be ordered at the rate of 2 for the Catalog Sale price of 1. Two rhizomes of a kind will give you a much better test than 1 of a kind. The 2 for 1 offer naturally does not apply in collections or free offers.

2. Any of the 5 varieties marked ▲ in front of the name (which are not so plentiful) may be ordered, while stocks last, at the rate of 2 for the REGULAR price of 1, not 2 for the Catalog Sale price nor collection price.

3. The 10 fairly expensive NEW Re-Bloomers marked ● may be ordered by people who qualify as TESTERS at 1 for ½ the REGULAR price, not ½ the Catalog Sale price, nor collection price. I make this enticing offer to speed up the distribution & testing of the wonderful new kinds, which are the ones most in need of being tried in various parts of the country.

To insure correct identification later on, it is always well to make a detailed map showing just where you plant each variety. This is advisable whether or not you use permanent labels, as they may sometimes get disturbed. Good permanent labels can be secured from "See-Fine Markers," 1817 Twelfth Ave., Lewiston, Idaho.

If you want to go in with your neighbor, or a friend or relative, so you can divide up the cost of these Re-Bloomers, you can also divide up the rhizomes so you will each get 1 wherever 2 of a kind are sent, & at what amounts to half price. In that case please give me the full name & address of the person who is carrying out part of the test, and we will send report forms to this person as well as to you. And when you send in your Tester order (which can also contain any other Iris in the catalog or on the envelope) please be sure to check off the TESTER box at top of order blank.

CULTURE OF RE-BLOOMERS

General care is same as for other Bearded Iris, described in some detail in cultural leaflet sent with all orders. Room here for only very brief suggestions on the special care that is often helpful for Re-Bloomers to force a second or even a third bloom. Further details in leaflet mentioned, & for most complete treatise see page 16 of my MANUAL, offered on pink pages.

Re-blooming is naturally more regular & more continuous in warm Southern gardens than in the North, but a great deal depends upon the care you give them. Plant widely spaced (2' to 3' apart), away from root competition, & in as warm a place as you have, such as on south side of a light-colored building. Use well prepared soil fertilized thoroly & deeply. Keep plants adequately moist (but not too wet) & well weeded. Most important of all (if you are trying for maximum results), is to water deeply (by sprinkling or furrows) every 10 to 14 days during dry spells in the spring, summer & early fall with fertilized water or liquid manure. This speeds up the growth of the new rhizomes & makes them big enough to bloom that same season, instead of waiting until next spring to bloom. Use a highly soluble complete fertilizer. Obtain from your local dealer, or thru an ad in a garden magazine, a device for producing diluted fertilized water. Some are elaborate & others very simple & inexpensive, such as suction devices called Hozon & Jector, used with a garden hose & a bucket of concentrated solution. Or, you can apply a complete soluble fertilizer with a sprinkling can according to the directions on the package. Sprinkle both the leaves & the ground, as these new highly soluble fertilizers are actually absorbed by leaves as well as roots & you get a double benefit. We also put this soluble fertilizer in our spray solutions if we find need to spray for insects or disease. The benefits of applying fertilizer in solution are, briefly: 1. Earlier re-blooming, so as to easily beat the frosts; 2. Heavier, more dependable re-blooming; 3. More vigorous growth, taller stalks, more & larger flowers. It takes BOTH varieties with the proper hereditary traits AND the proper care, if you want the fullest expression of re-blooming abilities. Yet many kinds will re-bloom delightfully in most states with no special care at all. Take your choice.

SYMBOLS SIGNALIZING OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE

I have been besieged with inquiries asking me to make specific recommendations of those Tall, Median & Dwarf Re-Bloomers that have given the most dependable performance as repeat bloomers. I want to make this information generally available to my customers in all six continents of the earth. I have evolved the following symbols, to dramatically & quickly call to your attention those varieties that are the surest Re-Bloomers, based on both my extensive data & that sent in from all over the world. These, then, have a good chance of re-blooming in any state or any Temperate Zone climate.

SYMBOLS USED AFTER NAMES	Tall (29" or more)	Medians 11" to 28"	Dwarfs 10" or less	Symbol used
In Summer, Early & Mid Fall Groups. (Pp. 4 to 9 incl.) Varieties most likely to re-bloom				
EARLY (June, July, Aug. or Sept.) re-bloom, usually (not always), to extent indicated at right.				
Light to moderate	+	+	+	Greek
Heavy to very heavy	++	++	++	Cross
OCTOBER re-bloom likely wherever, & whenever killing frosts do not occur until late Oct. or Nov.				
Light to moderate	✦	✦	✦	Maltese
Heavy to very heavy	✦✦	✦✦	✦✦	Cross

You will soon find that some very fine varieties in the Summer, Early or Mid Fall groups are not signalized with any form of plus sign. Some of these are just too new to have been adequately tested for their re-blooming abilities. In others that have no plus signs, the re-blooming has so far been somewhat irregular during the particular periods referred to, & not certain enough to justify this symbol of good performance, tho some of these have re-bloomed very heavily a little later, in Nov. The Nov. bloom is not signalized, but all varieties that generally start in Nov. are listed in the group of "Late Fall Re-Bloomers." Quite obviously, re-blooming cannot be guaranteed. The symbols refer to expected behavior when you supply conditions of temperature & soil nutrients that are reasonably favorable for the expression of the re-blooming traits that are inherent in these varieties. See "Culture of Re-Bloomers" on this page.

For the skeptics, the doubting Thomases and those "from Missouri," who have to be shown that Iris will re-bloom, no matter where you live, within the North or South Temperate Zones, let me make this suggestion. Select for your first trial of Rainbow Garden Re-Bloomers mainly those tried & proved sorts that I have carefully designated with the symbols ++, ++ or ++, either with or without other symbols. Then follow my simple instructions for caring for Re-Bloomers & I think you'll soon be "pointing with pride" to what you have accomplished. If you have fairly mild falls, you can quite safely include a number of those marked ✦✦, ✦✦ or ✦✦, which include some superb varieties. I go out of my way to make it easy for YOU to succeed.

HELP FOR BREEDERS OF RE-BLOOMERS: To aid you in locating re-blooming genes wherever they may appear in any of the 20 races of Bearded Iris, I am printing in bold type all of the varieties in the parentages that are actual re-bloomers, or that seem to be carriers of re-blooming traits.

FALL SUNSHINE

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To avoid the disappointment of finding that just the varieties you want most are SOLD OUT, mail that order TODAY, and by AIR MAIL. Play it safe!



DOUBLE DUTY—Like this in summer & fall.

AAHME (Craig '53) + EM-36" While by no means a heavy summer Re-Bloomer, has given us some summer bloom every year for a long while. Somewhat of an everbloomer, occasionally blooming in the fall, & then quite heavily in the winter, temperatures permitting. Someday there will be better & more consistent ever-bloomers, but this is one of the very best available today. A large finely-formed clear orchid-pink, almost like a frequent-blooming Fantasy. Beard coral-tangerine. Pollen fertile. [Hall 44-50 X (Peach Parfait sib x Fantasy)]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

AUGUST INDIAN (Brown '57) + 22" First re-bloomed for originator, Percy Brown, in Mass. on August 19. A striking variegata, or bicolor; closed ecru standards, falls lilac-pink, shading to brown at edge. Stalks usually have 3 branches with 6 buds. Pollen abundant. Rhizomes small. [Autumn Twilight X Potawatomi]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.20**

AUGUST WAVES (Brown '41) + 22" A pretty neglecta. Re-blooms August to frost in cold climates or warm ones. Most welcome as Iris bloom is at lowest ebb in Aug. Standards pale blue. Falls flaring, rich violet. Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **\$1.00**

AUTUMN AFTERNOON (Brown '55) + E-24" A new color combination with closed standards in clear apricot yellow, flaring falls in pinkish lavender. Very strong tendency for re-blooming, usually early. Percy reports that in '58 this began blooming 1st of Aug., stalks were still coming on in early Oct. Every sizeable rhizome re-bloomed. Comes from 2 of the best of known re-bloomers. Sets seed, but no pollen. [Sally Ann X Autumn Twilight]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.45**

AUTUMN DELIGHT (Austin '52) + EM-30" Most continuous, heaviest bloomer of our 175 varieties of re-bloomers. Standards light amethyst pink with silvery tone, arched, gently waved. Falls deep rosy mulberry. Blooms in spring, starts again in mid or late Aug., blooms for 7 to 10 weeks. Up to 16 buds per stalk, heights up to 44" in the fall. Also an oddity as it has an inconstant number of standards. Delightfully fragrant, pollen abundant. Regularly \$2.25; on \$15 order **\$1.75**

BLUE VALLEY—\$1.25



Here's What You've Been Waiting For

Twice-Blooming — **SUMMER RE-BLOOMERS** — Pages 4, 5 and 6 World's Only Separate Listing of This Very New and Much Needed Race

See previous page for much helpful information on Re-Bloomers in general. **HAIL THIS NEW RACE:** The interest in **Summer Bloomers**, and also the number of varieties, has pyramided so rapidly I have established these as a separate race, in their own right. According to my records, and those of many of my customers in various states, these start their **SECOND** bloom in **June, July or August**, and then **continue blooming to varying degrees on thru the fall**. They are, then, classed as "**Summer Bloomers**" based on the time when, with recommended care, they are likely to **start** re-blooming, as explained in the descriptions for individual varieties. In many cases, the bloom increases on into the fall. However, in most varieties the tendency for repeat blooming is not yet as strong as that for normal spring bloom, but I am now concentrating my breeding efforts on producing better & even more reliable summer & early fall Re-Bloomers. **Watch for new introductions in my later catalogs.**

AUTUMN ELF ++ + M-15" Re-bloomed summer & fall in Mass. Proven summer & fall bloomer for cold climates. Cream russet & lavender. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **75c**

AUTUMN PRINCESS (Austin '59) + + E-32" Noteworthy for gorgeous & very prominent red-tangerine beards shown in life-like reality in my new color plate. I call this Autumn Princess as it is like a Summer & Fall Blooming Pagan Princess which was its seed parent. One of the very largest of Summer Re-Bloomers, often having a spread of 7" to 8". Usually starts re-blooming in Aug. and blooms quite heavily all thru the fall, often up to Dec. Coloring is a little pinker than Pagan Princess. [Pagan Princess X Clasmont]..... Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$14.10**

AUTUMN QUEEN ++ + VE-8" Sometimes everblooming, April to November. Pure white, white beard. Regularly 85c; on \$15 order **70c; 3 for \$2.00**

AUTUMN SNOWDRIFT (Brown '55) + + E-28" Exceptionally lovely flowers, persistent re-blooming, even in cold northern climates. Mrs. Herrick, in Wayne, Maine, got fine stalk in Oct. Percy had many in bloom in Mass. in early Oct. We had bloom in Aug., Sept. & Oct. So should re-bloom in fall thruout nearly all of northern & eastern U.S. Beautifully ruffled crystalline white, nicely arched standards, semi-flaring falls, lilac at hafts. Beard bright yellow. Heavy low branching. 16 flowers per stalk. Pollen good; sets seed freely. Marked sweet fragrance. [(Tinted Porcelain x Autumn Twilight) X (Autumn Twilight x Glowport)]..... Regularly \$4.00; on \$15 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$7.55**

FEATURE OFFERING in Summer Bloomers

AUTUMN TWILIGHT (Brown '48) ++ + L-32" My personal favorite of Percy's persistent re-bloomers. Exceedingly colorful. See my new color plate. Great numbers of large flowers with sparkling golden cream standards, bright orchid pink falls. Re-blooms heavily from Aug. to Nov. Dependable fall bloomer even in cold climates. Lots of good pollen. A real find! Has many fine re-blooming descendants, including Fall Sunshine '61, Gold of Autumn '61, Autumn Snowdrift, Green Dragon. Reg. \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**

Indianapolis, Indiana, Sept. 4, 1955. "In the fall blooming Iris I have had almost continuous bloom from July 10th. Now AUTUMN TWILIGHT is in bloom, with OCTOBER SHADOWS to open soon, and more stalks coming on AUTUMN ELF. It has been quite a surprise to many visitors to walk in the yard and see iris in bloom in midsummer." Earl Roberts.

BARRE BEAUTY (Brown '53) ++ + 24" One of most reliable summer & fall bloomers. Should re-bloom in any of our colder states. A pleasing lilac bitone with standards pale lavender, falls pinkish amethyst. [September Sparkler X Unknown]..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5.00**

BLUE VALLEY M to L-38" A regular Summer Bloomer to the extent that we have had a dozen or 2 stalks in bloom in late June or July every year for the past 8 years. But not a heavy Re-Bloomer as only a few stalks re-bloom. Beautifully ruffled, large. A single rhizome has been known to produce 7 flower stalks. Fragrant. See Ektachrome..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$6.25**

COLOR RIOT (Austin '56) + + EM-38" Indeed a riot of contrasting colors that catch everyone's attention in the spring, & again as it blooms off & on from June to Dec., so has everblooming tendencies. Standards bright lilac rose. Falls deep purplish crimson, with a long & prominent orange-red beard. Seedparent of my Autumn Rosemist '61. [Buffawn X Flora Zenor]..... Reg. \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$7.50**

CREAM CREST (Muhlestein '59) EML-36" In the words of H. Fothergill of England, Cream Crest "achieves a new standard in the cream irises." A magnificent very wide cream self. Haft ruffled & smoothly brushed lemon-yellow. Widely tested & has been receiving awards for several years including the runner-up for the Fiorino d'Oro in Italy in '60. Re-blooming habits not yet fully known but it seems to start re-blooming in either summer or fall. HM'58; JC'60 [(Sib. to Utah Cream x Yellow Tower) X (Sib. to Utah Cream x Spring Sunshine)]..... Regularly \$20.00; on \$30 order **\$16.95**

CUPID'S DART (Craig '53) + + M-45" A pinkish ivory self with orange tangerine beard that may be likened to a picturesque blond with unrestrained make-up. A giant twice-bloomer that might well be Mt. Washington in a bright new color. Flowers heavily in spring; starts again in Aug. & continues on into the fall. [(Mt. Washington x Flora Zenor) X Sib.]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

***** Summer Blooming STAR PERFORMER *****

DOUBLE DUTY (Austin '59) + + VE-32" See my new color plate. Yes, this is a real "Double Duty" Iris, & hard to beat for lengthening your blooming season at both ends. In spring it blooms ahead of almost all Tall Bearded; then it blooms again for a long period, usually starting in late Aug. & continues very heavily thru Sept. & Oct., with some blooms thru Nov. & Dec., weather permitting. In some years, when weather has been mild in late winter, we have had a heavy bloom in late Feb. & early March, in addition to all the other months of bloom. A lovely light salmon-pink. Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$11.25**

ENCOUNTER (Benson '56) + M-38" This new addition to the Summer group has been re-blooming for us when most Iris bloom is at a low ebb, in early July, in several different plantings, with up to 40% of the plants blooming. Wonderfully bright, pure yellow & white bicolor. Falls flaring, attractively waved, of great substance. Flowers extra large. HC'52; HM'59 [Bellerive X (Valor x Dauntless) x Inspiration]..... Regularly \$6.00; on \$15 order **\$5.10; 3 for \$14.55**

ETHEL PECKHAM + + M-30" A striking dark red blooming in July, Aug. & Sept. as well as spring. Reported from northern Idaho as blooming "as persistently as a Fuller brush salesman." AM'36. Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40; 10 for \$6.25**

FALL PRIMROSE (Brown '56) ++ + 30" My favorite of Percy's new Summer Bloomers. Started blooming here on July 1 & bloomed till Nov., with heaviest bloom in Sept. At Staten Island, New York, it started blooming in late August. In tests so far it has re-bloomed without fail. A primrose yellow self, bright yellow hafts & beard. Sets seed, has abundant pollen. Crossed with other fall bloomers, it is already yielding a fine series of new remontants, including Sept. Charm, Sept. Cream & Sept. Gleam. [Redwyne X Autumn Twilight]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**

FALL VELVET, IMPROVED + ML-28" Taller, brighter, better branched than Fall Velvet. Standards blue-lilac; falls deep rosy-ameethyst. Re-blooms mid-Oct. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **75c**

FLAME KISS (Plough '58) + EM-40" A new and delightful combination—the first of its kind, a sharply colored yellow amoena set off by a bright red beard. Unique coloring consists of pure white standards with Dresden Yellow base; falls Dresden Yellow. Will give distinction to any garden. From two famous parents. HM'59; JC'60 [Gay Paree X Palomino] Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$14.10**

GIBSON GIRL + M-36" See in color. Spring, summer & fall bloomer. Light pinkish mulberry & deep rose mulberry peppered on cream ground. Very large outstanding. Usually starts its second bloom in Aug. & blooms on & on until cut down by heavy frosts. [Madame Louis Aureau X Tiffany] Regular \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55; 10 for \$7.50**

GOLD HILL (Miller '41) + M-32" Not only a fine Summer & Fall bloomer, but a prized souvenir of famous 1849 Gold Rush country in which my garden is located. Originated at Gold Hill close to gold-discovery town of Coloma. Colored much like famous Radiant, but larger, taller. Standards burnished gold, falls chestnut red. [Happy Days X Dauntless] Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$7.50**

GREEN DRAGON (Brown '55) ++ EM-32" Percy's tantalizing contribution to the much-sought "greens," & bred for fall bloom. Standards greenish-yellow chartreuse, closed; falls veined brown on a lavender base. [October Shadows X Autumn Twilight] Regularly \$4.50; on \$15 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$8.40**

GREEN HOPE (Rees '56) + M-34" See new color plate. Somewhat everblooming as first re-blooming is likely to be in June, July or Aug., or all 3, with heaviest repeat bloom in Oct. or Nov. Even in summer stalks often tall & heavily branched. Light chartreuse self, soft olive veining. Visitors were impressed with extent that it is saturated with green & remarked it is greener than Green Pastures. Originator, Geo. N. Rees, our Rainbow Gardens poet, lives in Ozark Mts. of Missouri. He has found it fully cold-hardy. Fertile both ways. Should be tops for breeding green twice-bloomers. Fragrant. [Missouri Night X The Black Douglas] Reg. \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$2.25**

JULY BEAUTY ++ EM-30" One of best for bloom & crossing for everbloomers. Sometimes starts re-bloom as early as July; may bloom quite continuously till Dec. Light lilac blue & deep amethyst. Stems heavily branched, up to 20 buds. Very outstanding in our garden last summer & fall. Reported as fall bloomer in Mass. See in color. Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.25**

"I am happy to tell you that your iris July Beauty has given me more pleasure than any other I have ever grown over a very long period of gardening. From the rhizome purchased from you 2 years back, I now have several divisions. The divisions bloom while still quite young, and this year I have had bloom on the plants in April, June, July, September & October. More buds are coming now that will carry them into November. I have them blooming with yellow marguerites at present (Oct. 20) and their lovely blue color would be equally good with yellow or bronze chrysanthemums." Mrs. Chas. J. Oram, Menlo Park, California.

KING'S CHOICE (Schreiner '57) + ML-38" It would be hard to find any other re-bloomer with such magnificent coloring & size as King's Choice. It is unquestionably the richest, deepest midnight blue I have ever seen. A true self with a heavy silken sheen & great beauty. The size is such that it could well be placed with my Colossals. Its re-blooming traits are not strong & it may start re-blooming anytime from Aug. to Oct. When it does, it will simply bowl you over because you'll have nothing else in the garden to compare with it. Reported as re-blooming in Autumn in Ore., too. Pollen plentiful. HM'58; RU-JC'59 [Top Hat X (Black Bells x Blue Glow)] Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.75; 3 for \$10.70**

LIMELIGHT (Hall '52) + ML-35" Not a very regular Summer Re-Bloomer, but quite often 50% of rhizomes will shoot up re-blooming stalks & burst into bloom in mid or late June, about 2 weeks after the last Tall Bearded have passed—a sight that always amazes visitors, as there are so few other fine Iris in bloom at that particular time. Extra large ruffled, very frilly flower, like a canary yellow Chantilly. Picotéd edging and beautiful coloring. Novel, tantalizing, quite irresistible. Outstanding for both the fancier and the breeder! HM'52; AM'54 [Sunray X Hall pink sdg. 46-42] Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25**

MARTIE EVEREST ++ 28" A pretty lavender blue bitone. A very heavy fall bloomer starting in late Aug. or early Sept. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **75c**

MASTER NEIL (Jensen '52) + E-M-36" A re-blooming Oncobred. Often re-blooms in Aug., then more heavily in the fall, sometimes continuing on into Dec. Perhaps the first William Mohr seedling to show a definite plicata pattern.

Cream ground color beautifully marked in pink & cinnamon brown. Will set some seeds. [William Mohr X Stained Glass] Reg. \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$6.25**

MELODY LANE Not a regular Summer Bloomer, but under favorable conditions (feeding with fertilized water) will quickly respond with occasional summer bloom. We have had 15 stalks out at once in July & Aug. in our commercial garden, even with digging going on every day. Try it & see if it will not bloom in summer for you. In any case it will put you into ecstasies in the spring with its mouth-watering loveliness, as my color plate shows. See page 38. Reg. \$1.25; on \$15 order **\$1.00**

MOHAVE GOLD (Sass '55) + L-VL-40" Blooms very late in Spring or early Summer, but does not re-bloom later. But it superbly commands attention since at that particular time there are extremely few really outstanding Iris in bloom. Will please everyone looking for best in this color. A majestic, imposing Iris of gigantic proportions in deep golden orange. Finely branched; a stalk is a sight one doesn't forget. Produces plentiful pollen. [Involving Ola Kala, Ella Callis & Mattie Gates] Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.55**

"Every garden was once a dream."



AUTUMN PRINCESS—Note startling tangerine beards.

MEMORIES (Sass '53) ++ ML-35" Last summer this was heaviest July bloomer of any of our Flamingo pinks. No Flamingo yet created is capable of regular 100% bloom in summer, but Memories achieved about 40% bloom in July, which was a great surprise to everyone. A most delectable mouth-watering pink, simply swept visitors off their feet to see it re-blooming so heavily in summer. Sometimes continues blooming until late Aug., but no fall bloom. A beautiful light salmon pink with a full pink beard. Flowers large with broad heavy subtended petals, excellent form. HM'53 [Pink Sails X Cotton Candy] Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.70**

MELODY LANE—Occasionally re-blooms in summer—\$1.25

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NAPPANEE (Wise '49) **++** **++** **++** E-37" No Iris has ever given us such heavy summer bloom as Nappanee.

All thru July and early Aug. we had over 150 stalks in bloom in spite of heavy digging of largest rhizomes to fill hundreds of orders. Also blooms heavily in Sept. when the tall straight stalks often reach 40", making it among tallest of re-bloomers. A full 90% of large rhizomes usually re-bloom. Standards **creamy pink** flushed golden from the base. Falls **bright crimson**. A stunning flower for summer & fall bouquets or for adding a mass of color to gardens at unexpected times. Pollen plentiful. Order early; will probably sell out before fall. [Priority X Forerunner]

OCTOBER SHADOWS (Brown '52) **++** **++** **++** E-L-28" Starts with a long spring bloom; re-blooms prolifically July to October, **approaching everblooming**. Standards light **silvery lilac** flushed **yellow**. Falls lilac rose. Splendid tall stalks, wide low branching, 12 flowers per stalk. Pollen plentiful; very good seed setter. Enticingly fragrant. [September Sparkler X Autumn Sunset]...Reg. \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55; 10 for \$7.50**

PERSIAN PATTERN (Craig '50) **+** **+** **+** EM-35" An Oncobred widely reported as a twice bloomer or ever-bloomer. Mrs. Grant Merrill (Red Bluff, Calif.) says "We had blooms on and off all year." Bloomed every month for Mrs. Mary E. Knopf, Campbell, Calif. Standards salmon-buff, flushed lilac. Falls with a heavily etched pattern of grayish crimson. See **Ektachrome**. One of the potential parents of a new everblooming race. Better find out what it will do for you. [Gay Senorita X Ib-Mac True]...Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.75**

PINK SYMPHONY — Very hard to beat when this favors you with Summer bloom. But as its re-blooming is not very regular, I'm listing it mainly with the once-blooming Tangerine Bearded Iris. See in **color** on page 36.

POTAWATOMI (Wise '49) **+** **++** **++** LM-36" Standards **light bronzy red** becoming yellowish at base. Falls **bronzy scarlet**, velvety, **glistening with gold crystals**. Prominent yellow beard. Pollen exceedingly abundant. [Priority X (Wakarusa x Red Ray)]...Regularly \$2.25; on \$15 order **\$1.50; 3 for \$4.30**

PRIORITY (Lapham '45) **++** **++** **++** M-26" This & Nappanee are 2 **most persistent red re-bloomers**. Bloomed for us on 4 different occasions last summer & fall. Standards light crimson; falls dark velvety crimson. Unusual decorative features are deep amethyst stigmas, contrasting sharply with yellow style crests. HM'47 [(Rameses x (M. A. Porter x Jerry)) X Red Ray]...Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

SANGREAL **++** **++** **++** EM-24" Approaches an everbloomer. Gave me **extremely heavy bloom** last summer, blooming all thru Aug., with good Oct. bloom, too. Attractive light yellow self with deep yellow veins.Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **75c**

SEPTEMBER PASTEL (Brown '57) **++** **++** **++** 22" **Most fragrant** of this significant new group. A bitone, pleasingly colored in soft tints; will appeal to all who love pastel colorings. Standards closed, pale amethyst; falls darker. Reliable fall bloomer; blooms thru most of Sept. and Oct. Stalks have 3 well-placed branches, about 9 buds. [October Shadows X Fall Fairy]...Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

All 3 Summer Re-Bloomers
a \$5.50 value for only **\$3.95**



PERSIAN PATTERN — Arranger's dream — \$2.00

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SEPTEMBER SPARKLER (Brown '53) **+** **++** **++** E-28" Blooms here in Spring & off & on from June to Nov. Approaches everblooming tendencies. Standards nicely cupped, pale elusive lavender with a golden halo at base. Falls deep blue lilac with striking maroon reticulations & yellow beard. Four-way branching starts near ground. Up to 16 buds per stalk. Sets seed easily; has good pollen. Seed parent of most of Mr. Brown's early fall bloomers. Top-notch for any hybridizer.Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

SUMMER SURPRISE (Brown '56) **+** **++** **++** EM-36" Tallest, best branched of Percy's new "summers." 36" stalks have 5 branches, up to 20 buds. Closed standards delicate ecru; falls lilac pink. Re-bloomed here in mid June & in Mass. in mid Aug. With this height, with its known seed-setting ability, should be top-notch for every hybridizer. [(Autumn Twilight x Halloween Night) X Autumn Twilight]...\$2.25; on \$15 order **\$1.50; 3, \$4.05**

SUNSET SERENADE (Sass '43) **+** **+** **+** M-34" One supreme seedling among thousands bred from Prairie Sunset. Standards pure bright orange, falls reddish copper, edged orange. Has pollen; sets seed. HM'43; AM'45 [Golden Age X Prairie Sunset]...Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.20**

TWO FOR TEA (Auten '48) **+** **++** **++** M-20" A Table Iris that blooms spring, summer & fall. A delicate, dainty orchid-pink self, slender stemmed. I had some in bloom almost continuously last summer & fall.Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5.00**

WITCH DOCTOR — An Oncobred Colossal that may give Summer bloom, page 19.

YACHT CLUB (Sapp) **+** **+** **+** M-40" Not a heavy re-bloomer but last year at least one TALL (40") stalk was in bloom practically every week from mid July to mid Nov. Quite a record for a large, amazingly beautiful heavy-substantiated crystalline pure white with gold heart and beard! In some locations it may bloom only in the spring, but even so it will be a wonderful addition to your garden. Starched, strongly flaring falls stand the summer heat without wilting. I know you'll never rest easy till you have it in YOUR garden. Pollen abundant, so get started. HC'54 [Illinois X (Sun Shadow x Katy)]...Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.70**

My Favorite Summer Re-Bloomers—No. 33—Explained on page 2. I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous assortments of my personal Summer Re-Blooming Favorites for.....

\$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00, \$50.00, or \$100.00

Beginner's Summer Re-Bloomers—No. 34—Choose from these: Aahme, Autumn Afternoon, Autumn Delight, Autumn Elf, Autumn Queen, Barre Beauty, Color Riot, Cupid's Dart, Ethel Peckham, Gibson Girl, Gold Hill, July Beauty, Master Neil, October Shadows, Priority, September Sparkler, Summer Surprise, Two for Tea.....any 6 for **\$6.95**; any 12 for **\$12.95**; all 18 for only **\$18.95**

Newest & Finest Summer Re-Bloomers—No. 35—You'll really enjoy these dandies. Choose from: August Indian **+** **++** **++**, Autumn Snowdrift **+** **++** **++**, Autumn Twilight **++** **++** **++**, Fall Primrose **++** **++** **++**, Memories **++**, Nappanee **++** **++** **++**, Persian Pattern **+** **++**, Potawatomi **+** **++** **++**, September Pastel **++** **++** **++**, Yacht Club **+**.....any 5 for **\$8.95**; any 7 for **\$12.95**; all 10 for only **\$15.95**

HOW TO SELECT RE-BLOOMERS TO FIT YOUR CLIMATE: For Mild Climates: Choose at will, among signaled or non-signaled Summers, Early, Mid or Late Autumns, Early Winters, or even the Mid & Late Winters. For Semi-mild Climates: Try all of the Summers, all 3 types of Autumns, most of the Early Winters, plus some experimenting with Mid & Late Winters. Border-line Climatic Areas: Any Summer or Early or Mid Fall Iris plus some experimenting with Late Fall Iris. For Cold Sections of the East & North: Order mostly Summer & Early Fall Bloomers, plus any Mid Fall Bloomers marked **++** **++** **++** or **++** **++**. The Very Coldest, Most Northern Areas: Select only Summer & Early Fall Bloomers, & only those marked **++** **++** or **++**, with or without other crosses.

Most Dependable Early Re-Bloomers—No. 36—Choose from these surest Re-Bloomers for Summer & Early Fall, as well as Mid Fall, all rating my quadruple crosses for re-blooming dependability: Autumn Afternoon **++** **++** **++**, Autumn Delight **++** **++** **++**, Autumn Elf **++** **++** **++**, Autumn Queen **++** **++** **++**, Autumn Twilight **++** **++** **++**, Barre Beauty **++** **++** **++**, Fall Primrose **++** **++** **++**, July Beauty **++** **++** **++**, Nappanee **++** **++** **++**, October Shadows **++** **++** **++**, Priority **++** **++** **++**, Sangreal **++** **++** **++**.....Any 6 for **\$6.95**; any 8 for **\$8.95**; all 12, a \$21.10 value, for only **\$12.95**

5-TIME BLOOMER: "Your July Beauty bloomed 5 times last year from a 1 year old rhizome, and was beautiful." Ella Marks, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Bloom September to November and in Spring

THREE GROUPS OF AUTUMNS: Based on reports from customers & on response here in winter snow belt of Northern California mountains, at an elevation of 3,000 ft., I have grouped varieties into Early, Mid & Late fall groups based mainly on when they **start** their main re-blooming. This does not signify, by any means, that each Iris re-blooms only in the period where it is grouped. For example, the Early Fall Iris may continue to bloom all thru the fall; and those listed as Late Fall Re-Bloomers may actually start blooming to some extent in early or mid fall, depending on fertilizing, culture, climate, soil, etc. Enough is not known at this early stage in the evolution of Re-Bloomers to be very arbitrary in statements as to just when these Iris will re-bloom. Even tho the division cannot possibly be hard & fast, I feel the groupings will still be very helpful to people everywhere as an approximate guide as to what to expect. Be sure to see all of page 3, and pages 6 & 12.

EARLY FALL RE-BLOOMERS — Sept. to Nov.

3 New AUTUMN INTRODUCTIONS for 1961

- **FALL SUNSHINE** (Austin '61) ++ +--+ M-35" See this new beauty in its **natural colors** on page 3. Unsurpassed as a large, tall, heavily-branched light yellow for **heavy re-blooming in Sept. & Oct.** Just the right Iris to give your garden that bright sunshine glow in **EARLY** autumn. Usually a **full month** earlier in re-blooming than the popular **Sally Ann**, and a full 5 weeks ahead of **Mattie Gates**. Fall stalks taller, more erect and better branched than in either. Pollen plentiful. Combines desirable features of its re-blooming seedparent with those of its colossal pollen parent. [Autumn Twilight X April Showers] Regularly \$20.00; on \$30 order **\$12.95**
- **AUTUMN ROSEMIST** (Austin '61) ++ +--+ 34" One of the very largest and tallest of the Iris available today for **heavy re-blooming in mid Sept. & on into the fall.** Very precocious, first blooming when only 8 months old from seed. At time of second fall bloom there were 7 rhizomes & every one bloomed in Sept. Standards misty buff-pink, falls soft crimson-pink, with an intense yellow beard. Well branched 34" stalks. Abundant pollen. Bred from 2 of my own originations. [Color Riot X Pink Pinafore] Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95**
- **GOLD OF AUTUMN** (Austin '61) ++ +--+ 34" Starts its second bloom in early Sept.; continues all thru Sept. & Oct. First bloomed at only 9 months from seed. **Increased to 9 rhizomes by second fall & every one bloomed in Sept.** Stalks 34" high, exceptionally heavily branched, with up to 20 delectable golden flowers per stalk. Standards bright, light yellow; falls deep yellow, burnished with soft crimson, giving an attractive bronzy effect. Pollen plentiful for ambitious hybridizers. A sister to Fall Sunshine above. [Autumn Twilight X April Showers] Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65**
- **ALMOND BLOSSOM** (Craig '53) M-40" A tall fall bloomer in **clear peach blossom pink**, baby pink hafts, ibis pink beard. Reported to be in bloom in July in Berkeley, Calif., and to **bloom 3 times a year there.** Lovely and especially prolific of bloom. [Hall 42-07 X Peach Parfait sib.] Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.75**

FEATURE OFFERING in Autumn Bloomers

- **AUTUMN BRONZE** (Brown '56) ++ +--+ EM-34" You'll surely want this **tallest of Percy's Autumn Bloomers.** Stalks have 4 branches, reach 38" even in the fall. I had one up to 42", Sept. 10. Standards closed, golden bronze; falls bronzy-crimson, edged brown, flaring; orange beard. **Has bloomed all thru Sept. & Oct. in New York & Mass.** Makes a very colorful display, a great favorite of our visitors. Often gives a heavier bloom in Sept. than any other tall Re-Bloomer. Pollen fertile; sets seed. Fragrant. [Western Hills X Autumn Twilight] Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.70**
- AUTUMN FLAME** ++ +--+ EM-30" Fine for **early fall bloom.** Large, wine-red, velvety falls. Grand. Fragrant. .Reg. \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c; 3, \$2.70; 10, \$6.25**
- AUTUMN HAZE** + +--+ M-28" Mrs. W. Everson, Robinson, Kan., reports: "A large lovely bitone. **Always** reblooms here regardless of how dry it gets, late Sept. & Oct. A very good one." Lilac-blue & violet-blue. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **75c**
- HARVEST BLUE** + +--+ VL-24" Flaring lilac-blue & deeper blue. **Extremely profuse** fall bloomer. Fragrant. Good pollen...\$1; on \$15 order **75c; 3, \$2.15; 10, \$5.00**

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WESTERN HILLS —
Colorful,
superbly branched

FALL SURPRISE (Austin '59) + +--+ 36" Yes, it will be a surprise to everyone to see this Iris blooming in the Fall, for there is **no other fall-blooming tangerine-bearded Iris that is so close to yellow.** Standards orange cream; falls yellowish apricot, with bright yellow hafts and a red-tangerine beard. **Unsurpassed as a parent for re-blooming yellows with red beards.** Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

■ **GUIDING STAR** (Tompkins '51) + +--+ M-38" When Chet Tompkins lived in Iowa, he wrote "Guiding Star has proven to be a **sensationally good early fall re-bloomer.**" Unbelievably brilliant, glistening lemon-gold, non-fading. Heavy substance, beautifully broad round form. Unique, highly decorative features: **fall stalks nearly horizontal, with 3 or 4 side branches arising vertically,** each ending in a golden very spreading flower. With several such stalks to each clump, you can visualize the very striking effect. So plant Guiding Star near front of your bed, but leave room for stalks to spread out 2' in all directions. **I have no other Iris equal to this for creating this stunning effect.** Try it. [(Damascus x Rocket) X (Acadia x Damascus)] Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.50**

HALLOWEEN NIGHT (Weed '43) + +--+ 38" The one to get for tall festive sprays usually blooming just in time for a **novel type of Halloween decorations.** A bright lemon-yellow veined in golden brown. Up to 17 flowers to a stalk. Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$6.25**

LUGANO (Cayeux) + +--+ M-34" Altho new over here, Lugano has already made a name for itself as a Re-Bloomer. In England & in France, where it originated, at Fontainebleau & at Vitry-sur-Seine, it puts on a wonderful display each spring & Oct. Here it blooms a little in Aug., by middle of Sept. ¼ of plants are in bloom. **By middle of Oct. 85% of rhizomes are flowering. Bloom continues thru Oct. & Nov.,** weather permitting. A splendid very pure white of excellent substance, with yellow beard. Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$1.65**

MENOMINEE (Wise '49) +--+ E-36" A ruffled glistening pinkish buff, sparkling with gold dust. Standards golden buff, flushed pink. Falls rosy pink over buff ground. **Profuse pollen.** Very fragrant. [Red Ray X Autumn Sunset] Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00**

MISHAWAKA (Wise '49) +--+ M-34" A glistening yellow with orange yellow beard & deep gold veining at haft. **Pleasingly fragrant.** Starts re-blooming in late Sept. but **real heavy fall bloom of which it is fully capable** usually comes in late Oct. or Nov. Re-blooms well in Indiana. [Red Ray X Autumn Sunset] Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$6.25**

POLAR KING (Donahue '39) +--+ E to L-32" Most dependable for northern latitudes. I have records of its **blooming in Mass. 5 falls in succession.** Bloomed in our garden Sept. to Dec. A high quality pure white Iris ideally branched, sometimes 4 flowers out at once. Very fragrant. **AM'32** [Moonlight X (Dominion x —)] Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

"I want to report that in addition to my 'Polar King' blooming in mid-summer, it re-bloomed in Sept. and now has 4 new buds in Oct." Delana Anderson, Lafayette, California.
SUREFIRE ++ +--+ E-20" May start in Aug., but more likely Sept.; continues into Oct. Cream yellow, tinged chartreuse. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **75c**

Beginner's EARLY Fall Re-Bloomers—No. 37—Choose from: Autumn Flame, Autumn Haze, Halloween Night, Harvest Blue, Menominee, Mishawaka, Polar King, Surefire. Any 6 for **\$4.95**; all 8, a \$9.50 value, **for only \$6.95**

Newest & Finest EARLY Fall Re-Bloomers—No. 38—Choose from: Almond Blossom, Autumn Bronze ++ +--, Fall Surprise + +--, Guiding Star + +--, Lugano + +--. Any 3 for **\$4.95**; any 4 for **\$5.95**; all 5, a \$12.00 value, **for only \$7.50**

"I can report that your Fall Bloomers favored us with bloom and put on a display for the Fall meeting of Region 6." M. F. Dow, Central Ohio Iris Society.

Avoid that spotty appearance, and achieve that professional look in **YOUR** garden in a hurry, by ordering 3 of a kind and planting in groups.

Two Fine AUTUMN 1961 Cointroductions with Val Slamova

TAURUS (Slamova '61) ✨ L-35" The first horned Re-Bloomer! Somewhat variable in the production of horns, but quite often 100% of the flowers have horns about 1" in length; and about half of the rhizomes have re-bloomed for us here in the northern Calif. mountains quite continuously from mid Oct. until early Dec. Standards light crimson partially open; falls bright deep velvety red, quite broad, spreading. Pollen variable, often quite good. [Joseph's Mantle X (Tea Rose x Yuma)]..... Regularly \$20.00; on \$30 order **\$12.95**

RED MANTLE (Slamova '61) ✨ 35" A deep red, nearly a self, of remarkable size, rounded form & very heavy substance for a Re-Bloomer. Standards dark carmine, nicely arched. Falls strongly flaring, broad, rounded, dark carmine, strikingly veined in carmine-black. Beard yellow. Tall, well-branched stalks. Foliage remains attractive & green late into the fall. Has bloomed well for us from mid Oct. clear up into February, except for periods of extreme cold. In a mild climate it is likely to bloom most of the winter. Pollen fertile. [Joseph's Mantle X (Tea Rose x Yuma)]..... Regularly \$20.00; on \$30 order **\$12.95**

AUTUMN ORCHID (Austin '56) ✨ 36" A bright rosy or manganese violet, prominent yellow beard. Nicely arched standards, semi-flaring falls. Has one of longest fall blooming periods of any. Started second bloom late last Oct. Bloomed two full months. Also, very heavy spring bloomer. In a block of 95 rhizomes planted only last Nov., every one put up a yard high stalk! Branching simply superb; usually 6 branches per stalk, lower ones 15" to 20" long, re-branched, even in the fall. Often 4 flowers open at once on each stalk. A boon to breeders. Very fragrant. [(Christensen's Elmohr Sdlg. x King High) X Self] . \$2.25; on \$15 order **\$1.50; 3, \$4.30**

AUTUMN SUNSET ✨ 32" Bred from 2 Dykes winners. Light bronzy pink and crimson edged bronze. Very colorful. [Rosy Wings X Rameses]..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

BLACK MAGIC ✨ E-18" One of the surest of fall bloomers. Heavy bloom in Oct. & Nov. Rich coloring, standards deep purple, falls velvety violet-black. \$1.25; on \$15 order **85c; 3, \$2.40; 10, \$6.25**

BLUE MASCOT ✨ VE-4" Large charming lilac-blue Dwarf. Re-blooms heavily Oct. & often on into Nov. Regularly 85c; on \$15 order **70c**

***** **Autumn Blooming STAR PERFORMER** *****

BLUE SURPRISE (Austin '57) ✨ EM-ML-36" Repeated as a Star Performer by overwhelming popular demand. BLUE SURPRISE surprises everyone, in more ways than one. First for its heavy tendency to re-bloom in mid & late fall, & to send forth at that time, as well as in spring, a generous supply of the largest, finest flowers of any of our blue re-bloomers. Frequently a 3-season Iris; often blooms in March or early April as well as usual time in May; starts its wondrous 2nd or 3d bloom in early Oct. or early Nov., depending on climate & care, frequently continuing right on into Dec. Every visitor marveled at abundance of bloom, size & beauty of flowers, bright light blue color, extraordinary substance, & perhaps most of all, at its ever-evident enticing fragrance. The most fragrant variety in our entire garden! A bouquet of BLUE SURPRISE will quickly perfume an entire room. Then, too, this takes the weather, & whatever the weather man has to offer. Demonstrated weather-resisting qualities when it came thru a severe hail storm with flying colors; nearly every other variety was riddled to shreds. In adverse weather one realizes quickly, one good Iris is worth a dozen poor ones. Beautifully ruffled, as in my full color photograph. Sets seed when crossed with other Autumns & with newer fertile Oncobreds. Breeders everywhere will want this, some for certain of its good qualities, & some for others. Blue Surprise is the one Iris I would recommend most highly to plant beside your garden seat, or at whatever point you can best enjoy & rejoice in its enticing fragrance. As rhizomes increase, surround your garden seat with Blue Surprise; then see how frequently you come to this most delightful & most fragrant spot in your entire garden. [Berkeley Blue X Chivalry].

***** Regularly \$8.00; on \$15 order **\$5.75** *****

"Blue Surprise is a winner. The blue is such a lovely blue and the stalk is sturdy and the plant a husky grower." Mrs. Boots Meyer, Fayetteville, New York.
 "Blue Surprise was well liked by visitors." Warren Mack, Rochester, New York.

BUCKTHORN BROWN (Milliken '48) ✨ 36" Splendid bronze Autumn Bloomer. A ruffled rippled light bronzy brown with hints of blue in strongly flaring falls. Style crests golden buff streaked in green. Beard intense yellow. Good sized flowers, well branched stalks with 8 buds. Fragrant. Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50**

CURTIS A ✨ ML-38" One of the truest & purest flamingo pinks among the Re-Bloomers. Usually re-blooms from Sept. to Nov., tho not every rhizome re-blooms. Light flamingo pink; large, full formed. Falls broad, geranium-red beard. Stalks nicely branched. \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.55; 10 for \$6.25**

DOUBLE DATE (Rundlett '57) ✨ M-34" A widely heralded new fall bloomer from Edwin Rundlett, the man who runs the re-blooming robins. Mrs. F. H. Winkler of Hamden, Conn., reports that at Glen Head Iris Show, Double Date outshone all others on remount table. Has re-bloomed reliably in New York City between Oct. 15th & Nov. 5th. Not only does it re-bloom in cold climates, but it endows its progeny with this re-blooming ability, to wit: **September Sunshine**, from a Double Date pod, & **September Cream** from Double Date pollen. A bright light yellow self with buttercup yellow beard. A most remarkable stalk for fall; side branches often start at the ground. The branches & rebranches add up to 7 or 8 plus the terminal. [(Missouri x Great Lakes) X Sally Ann]..... Regularly \$9.00; on \$15 order **\$5.95**

ECHO VALLEY (Kerr '52) ✨ EM-35" Glorified version of Minnie Colquitt. Starts re-blooming in Sept. & blooms heavily thru Oct. & Nov. White ground plicata with red-violet stitchings. Pollen very fertile. Crossed with Joseph's Mantle yielded a host of fine plicatas with re-blooming tendency. Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.80**

ENCORE (McDade) ✨ M-26" Pinkish crimson & dark crimson with bronze-yellow beard. Well branched stalks. Heavy Oct. & Nov. bloom. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **75c**

FALL MELOLIGHT (Brown '60) ✨ EM-30" One of very newest from Percy Brown in Mass. An attractive clear yellow self with closed standards & spreading falls. Orange beard. In our tests so far, every rhizome has re-bloomed in mid Oct. Continued blooming on thru Nov. Sets seed freely & produces good pollen. [(Reveille x Autumn Twilight) X Cherie]..... Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$14.10**

FAREWELL (Craig '51) ✨ M-40" A superior modern Autumn Bloomer of large size, fine quality. Starts re-blooming in late Sept. or early Oct. Sometimes 100% of rhizomes re-bloom. Reported by W. L. Smith to have bloomed well in fall in Virginia. Full well formed flower, my favorite in this color class—a very bright orchid or fuchsia pink, yellow beard. Substance good, fine flaring form. Well branched, often 4 or 5 branches. [Molten X (Prairie Sunset x Brilliant Amber)]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.65**

GLOWPORT ✨ M-26" An intense crimson red, almost a self. Re-blooms in Oct. & Nov. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **75c**



JOSEPH'S MANTLE — *Amazing Re-Bloomer*

GENEROUS (Muhlestein '55) ✨ EM-30" Sets a new, very high standard in bronze autumn re-bloomers. Sometimes starts re-blooming in Sept., but more likely Oct. or early Nov. While not every plant re-blooms, flowers are so magnificent that when it does re-bloom it surpasses almost everything else in bloom. Strongly flaring falls have spread 8" to 9", outdoing even gigantic Joseph's Mantle. Fine for cutting in bud stage before fall frost. Buds will open up into fine large flowers, often giving 3 perfectly-spaced flowers out at once. Standards bronze, flushed gold at base. Falls bright bronzy gold with bronze edging. Beard orange-yellow. Style crests frilled buff-gold. Surprisingly fragrant. An Oncobred but not prominently so. Tremendously good parent; very fertile both ways. [Utah Sunset X (Elena Choosing) x (Zebulon x Golden Eagle)]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

GERSDORFF-SASS ✨ VE-28" Starts in Oct. but usually Nov. before it puts on that "springtime blossom abundance" performance that so often surprises & delights us. Last fall we had over 1,000 flowers of this one variety in bloom at one time! Most unusual, colored like Dresden china. Standards parchment, flushed mulberry. Falls mulberry pink on parchment ground; striking lemon-yellow hafts. \$1.25; on \$15 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40; 10 for \$6.25**

BLUE SURPRISE — *Very fragrant Re-Bloomer*





SALLY ANN

JOSEPH'S MANTLE (Craig '49) ✨ EM-36" A delightful FREQUENT Bloomer. Blooms with early Iris, again with late ones, still again in Oct., Nov., & even mid-winter in mild climates. Often it blooms as heavily in fall as any Iris in spring. Last fall we had a regular "forest" of well over 100 tall stalks of Joseph's Mantle in bloom at once. So colorful was named for "Joseph's coat of many colors." An immense flower in golden buff washed & striated red brown, with red brown stippling. Tom Craig is an artist of renown. This creation makes one wonder if he has found a secret way of coloring his hybrids as he applies colors to his canvas. Joseph's Mantle will amaze & captivate you. [(China Maid x Tiffany) X Mitchell Seedlings] See color photo. . . . Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order \$1.40; 3 for \$4.00

Hugo, Oklahoma, Dec. 10: "Today I cut a 36" stalk of Joseph's Mantle and brought in the house. The top bud opened several days ago and it now has 12 buds left. Last night it got down to 26° here. We have had several frosts before this." Mrs. T. H. Farmer.

KANSAS INGLESIDE (Hillson '40) ✨ ML-32" A deep bronzy-red with flaring falls. Glows like an ember. Quite a dependable re-bloomer for mid or late fall even in cold climates such as Kansas where it originated. . . . Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order 95c

LADY MOON (Whiting '50) ✨ M-34" Comes closest I have to a fall blooming SNOW FLURRY. A true white, yet standards are distinctly a blue white, beautifully cupped, ruffled. Falls rather flaring, creamy with an ivory beard. Over 90% of rhizomes bloomed for me last fall. [(Purissima X Matula) X White Goddess]. . . . Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order 95c

LINA BETH (DeForest '54) ✨ M-36" Usually starts re-blooming in Oct. & by early Nov. ¾ of rhizomes are sending up stalks. Huge, yet very lovely white delicately tinted in pink, with a surprising pale pinkish-yellow beard. Large crisp flowers will measure up to 7". Standards wide, hafts clean, falls wide & flaring. Has what it takes to stand up in bad weather. Branching excellent. [(Alona x Hall's 42-10) X (Spindrift x 6-44)]. . . . Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order \$1.35; 3 for \$3.85

WINTER FLAME



MATTIE GATES (Sass '46) ✨ ML-36" A very pleasing color, with a most unusual feature. As far as I am aware, it is only re-bloomer with a rooster-comb crest at end of beard, as in color photograph. Standards lemon yellow; falls white with wide border of lemon-yellow. Sweetly scented. Pollen plentiful. HM'46; AM'50. . . . \$1.50; on \$15 order \$1.10; 3 for \$3.15; 10 for \$7.50

OCTOBER BLAZE ✨ EE-34" A blazing & dancing deep red with violet undertones & glittering gold beard. . . . Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order 95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$6.25

ROYAL BAND ✨ M-ML-34" Like fall-blooming Minnie Colquitt. Standards bright purple, flushed white. Falls white, purple edge. Nicely ruffled. Pollen plentiful. . . . Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order 95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$6.25

SALLY ANN (Smith '45) ✨ E to LM-32" Of all of the older yellow fall re-bloomers I've tried, this has largest flowers & clearest color—a beautiful even yellow, satiny in texture, sparkling in sun as if dusted with gold. Nearly every rhizome re-blooms; starts in mid or late Oct. Also, gives 4½ weeks continuous spring bloom. Flowers often measure as large as 6" x 6". In mild climates, or in mild winters in moderately severe climates, blooms thru Jan. & Feb., too. [Kalinga X Jelloway] . . . Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order \$1.95

STRIPED BEAUTY ✨ EML-14" Next to Green Hope as the greenest of re-bloomers. Creamy yellow self with strong flush of olive, exotically splashed purple. Starts in Oct. & continues thru Nov. & often into Dec. We have even had fairly heavy bloom in Feb. & Mar. in some years. . . . Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order 75c

WESTERN HILLS (Mrs. Brown '51) ✨ M-42" Like autumn leaves in golden tan; falls flushed silvery plum and peacock blue over rich copper. See in color. Dependable fall re-bloomer in Roanoke, Va., without special care. Re-blooms early enough to insure fall bloom over most of U. S. Among very best of Autumn Bloomers for producing TALL heavily-branched FALL flower stalks. Hence close to top in my list of best parents for better re-bloomers. Last Oct. one wonderful stalk reached a height of 53". It had 6 side branches & terminal flowers, with a total of 22 flowers & buds. The bottom branch was a yard long! Delightful fragrance. Sold out by mid-summer last year & now in short supply. Hurry, if you want this one! . . . Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order \$2.00

WHITE ALONE ✨ 34" A lovely twice-blooming pure white. Remarkably fine & large for this low price. Re-blooms well in Oct. & Nov. & sometimes starts again as early as March. . . . Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order \$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50

WHITE AUTUMN KING ✨ 12" Pure white, spreading falls, lemon beard. Starts in Sept.; blooms very freely thru Oct. & Nov. . . . \$1.00; on \$15 order 75c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5.00

WINTER FLAME (Austin '53) ✨ E-32" One of the finest large red Re-Bloomers. Persists in blooming each fall & winter, often starting heavy bloom in Oct., at least 2 weeks ahead of Technicolor, & continuing until Jan. Then blooms again in the spring. Standards smooth light wine red; falls velvety crimson. Novel light buff edging. Heavily branched, with up to 20 buds & 5 flowers out at once on each stalk. Heavy seed-setter. See in full color. [December Royalty X Self] . . . Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order \$1.95

CUSTOMER REPORT: "Winter Flame has been in bloom since Sept. 28 and has lots of bloom stalks coming on. I have enjoyed it so much." Mrs. R. B. Stevens, Fort Worth, Tex. Oct. 7, 1960.

"I had Winter Flame in bloom on Xmas." Mrs. J. A. Attaway, Empire, Alabama.

Beginner's MID Fall Re-Bloomers—No. 39—Choose from Autumn Orchid, Black Magic, Blue Mascot, Buckthorn Brown, Curtis A, Farewell, Gersdorff-Sass, Glowport, Joseph's Mantle, Lina Beth, Mattie Gates, October Blaze, Royal Band, White Alone, White Autumn King. . . . Any 6 \$4.95; any 10 \$8.95; all 15, a \$21.60 value, only \$14.95

Newest & Finest MID Fall Re-Bloomers—No. 40—Choose from: Echo Valley ✨ ✨, Generous ✨, Sally Ann ✨ ✨, Western Hills ✨ ✨, Winter Flame ✨ ✨ . . . Any 3 for \$5.50; any 4 for \$7.50; all 5, a \$13.00 value, for only \$8.75

LATE FALL RE-BLOOMERS — Nov. & Dec.

BALL GOWN (Craig '50) ML-35" Standards red-bronze, falls glistening reddish copper, bright violet signal. Beard golden bronze. Branching good. Sweetly fragrant. Pollen plentiful. [(China Maid x Tiffany) X Sultan's Robe]. . . . Reg. \$1.50; on \$15 order \$1.25

CARABELLA 36" Largest inexpensive Flamingo that blooms in spring & in fall. A luscious salmon pink, prominent orange-tangerine beard. HM'49. . . . Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order 95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$6.25

CHAMPAGNE VELVET (Sass '55) M-35" Handsome pearly, satin white falls, bordered with bright violet minute dots. Standards bright purple, waved, ruffled. Substance very heavy; falls semi-flaring. Starts second bloom in Oct. or Nov., may bloom till Christmas. HM'58. . . . Regularly \$4.50; on \$15 order \$2.95; 3 for \$8.40

DECEMBER ROYALTY — Starts re-blooming in early or late Nov. & continues till Christmas. See description & color plate, page 11.

FAIR ENOUGH E-L-38" One of the earliest to bloom in spring; continues to bloom past all believing. In Oct. or Nov. starts again & blooms till Dec. & Jan. if weather permits. Leaves remain fully green & erect, undaunted by moderate cold. . . . Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order 95c

FIREBRIGHT (Craig '54) M-30" Has given us almost 90% re-bloom thru Nov. & Dec. An amazing deep red of an intensity not before seen in Iris. Coloring is smooth & rich; further adorned with a dazzling violet blaze. A thing of beauty & a joy to behold. Extremely heavy seed-setter; almost every pollinated flower sets a pod. [Savage X Molten]. . . . Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order \$3.35; 3 for \$9.55

GREEN GODDESS—Re-blooming greenish Dwarf, page 27.

PINK LACE M-36" Outstanding as a fall-blooming Flamingo pink. Only inexpensive one blooming well in fall & spring. A real bargain at this low price. See in color. Seed set on Pink Lace using pollen of 5 tangerine-bearded pinks. Now YOU try it! . . . Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order 95c



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▲ **SAVAGE** (Craig '49) M-34" Like a dazzling display of fireworks is effect created by brilliant violet blaze shooting out from beard on this flower of burnished red. This amazing intense color gives a flame effect. Consistent late fall bloomer. Broad flaring flower of heavy substance. Among most popular of all Iris. Seed or pollen parent of many of our very finest Re-Bloomers & Tall Bearded: Lois Craig, Firebright, Ruth Couffer, Bang, etc. Now YOU try it! HM'51. See Ektachrome..... Reg. \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$1.75**

SCARLET TIGER (Austin '53) E to M-25" Heavy re-bloomer in late fall. Red bitone with falls close to scarlet, an even brighter red than famous Technicolor. Standards light yellow, flushed red, beard bright orange. Pollen abundant. Excellent breeder for working toward brilliant scarlet. [Tiger Tiger X self].. Reg. \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.80**

THANKSGIVING FIRELIGHT (Austin '50) M-34" Usually blooms at Thanksgiving time. Done in festive fall colors. Standards blended reddish yellow, bronzy orange. Falls dark crimson, lighter edge. A fast increaser & heavy bloomer. Has pollen, sets seed. Transmits its fall blooming tendency to offspring..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **\$1.10**

TRAVERTINE ROSE (Gibson '54) EM-ML-36" Standards creamy pink; falls yellow-cream heavily stippled cinnamon. Branching good. A grand breeder; has yielded Copper Halo. Pollen abundant. [Misty Rose X Gibson Girl Sdlg.]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00**

WAR DANCE (Craig '52) E-M-42" A Re-Bloomer that is brilliant blend of red & chocolate or java-brown. Extra large flowers borne on tall stalks. Remarkable height & splendid varieties in pedigree make it among best to cross for still finer re-bloomers. [(Prairie Sunset x Tobacco Road) X Molten]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$2.25; 3 for \$6.40**

■ **ZULU WARRIOR** (Craig '54) ML-38" See color plate. Originator states that this is his new super plicata, which, under his climatic conditions blooms all fall & winter & then again for a long period in spring. A large ruffled pale yellow plicata with a dense wine-berry border, much like a twice-blooming edition of Raspberry Ribbon, but here color is dark crimson instead of reddish-purple. Tom can well be proud of this one. HM'54 [Joseph's Mantle X Burgundy Splash]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.95**

Beginners LATE Fall Re-Bloomers—No. 41—Choose from: Carabella, Fair Enough, Molten, Moon Goddess, Mount Timp, Red Ray, Scarlet Tiger, Thanksgiving Firelight, Travertine Rose..... Any 6 for **\$4.95**; all 9, a \$12.50 value, **for only \$7.95**

Newest & Finest LATE Fall Re-Bloomers—No. 42—Choose from: Champagne Velvet, Firebright, Glowing Amber, Zulu Warrior..... Any 2 for **\$6.95**; any 3 for **\$9.95**; all 4, a \$20.00 value, **for only \$12.95**

My Favorites—See page 2. Amazingly generous assortments in my personal fall re-blooming favorites, as you specify: **Early Fall—No. 43; Mid Fall—No. 44; Late Fall—No. 45; Early, Mid & Late Fall (in one collection)—No. 46**..... for **\$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00, \$50.00 or \$100.00**, as you prefer

Comprehensive All-Season Re-Bloomers—No. 47—Your big chance to get all 5 races of Re-Bloomers in 1 collection, in whatever combination you select—**Summers:** Autumn Delight, Autumn Twilight, Gibson Girl, July Beauty, Memories, Sept. Sparkler; **Early Fall:** Autumn Bronze, Halloween Night, Mishawaka, Polar King; **Mid Fall:** Black Magic, Buckthorn Brown, Farewell, Gersdorff-Sass; **Late Fall:** Carabella, Moon Goddess, Mt. Timp, Thanksgiving Firelight; **Winters:** Alta Rosa, Privateer, Russian Bronze, Sunset Pink..... Any 8 for **\$8.95**; any 12 for **\$12.95**; all 22, a \$38.00 value, **for only \$22.95**

■ **GLOWING AMBER** (Craig '53) M-36" Tom seems to have a way of bringing forth the most interesting combinations of color. Here under-color is golden amber; sepia seems to be glazed on in a pleasing manner. In falls overcolor is crimson applied in a highly effective radiating pattern well shown in my color plate. Surely unbeatable blood for rich colorings. HM'54 [Joseph's Mantle X Rich Raiment]..... Regularly \$5.50; on \$15 order **\$3.85**

■ **LOIS CRAIG** (Craig '56) EM-32" Reminds one both of iridescent plumage of tropical birds & light playing thru stained glass in an old-world cathedral—a vibrant deep red mingled with purple & brown, with sky colors playing on the surface. See color plate. Very large, stalks tall, widely branched. With Mexican Magic, Savage & Molten in parentage, no wonder it has dazzling brilliance. HM'57; RU-JC'58 [(China Maid x Tiffany) x Mexican Magic) X (Savage x Molten)]..... Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

MOLTEN (Craig '50) M-35" Very few Iris are as good for hybridizing. Pollen of Molten yielded fall bloomers Lois Craig & War Dance; Tall Bearded Bang, Conqueror, Red Tango & Zombie; as a seed parent, the new Ambush. Vigorous & robust. Luxuriant blending of burnt sienna, rose & ochre with a violet-blue blaze. Beautifully branched. HC'47 [Prairie Sunset X Sultan's Robe]..... Regular \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50**

MOON GODDESS M-36" Large flower in strange grayed wistaria, novel & interesting. Perfect color companion for the new pinks. Consistent twice-bloomer..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.55; 10 for \$6.25**

MOUNT TIMP E-30" Extra large twice-bloomer. Dark rose standards; pale yellow falls strikingly edged mulberry. A dandy!..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$6.25**

PINK PINAFORE—Starts re-blooming in early or late Nov. & continues till Christmas. See description & color plate, page 11.

RED RAY EM-34" Pleasing red bitone with light red standards & dark crimson falls. Useful to hybridizers, known to produce Re-Bloomers including Wise's Menominee, Mishawaka & Potawatomi..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$6.25**

TECHNICOLOR—A top-notch Winter Re-Bloomer that often starts in Nov.; page 11.



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WARRIOR

The WINTER RE-BLOOMERS

Bearded Iris for Winter and Spring Bloom in Mild Climates — World's Only Extensive Listing — Pages 11 & 12

Bloom in Spring and Again NOV. to MARCH

USES, BLOOMING SEASONS: Most useful for "Surprise Plantings" in mild climates; they burst into bloom most unexpectedly in winter. Foliage is practically evergreen. In cold climates likely to bloom in very early spring, with intermediates, materially lengthening your Tall Bearded blooming season. Try a few and see what you've been missing. In cold areas grow under glass for winter bloom. As these Iris do not seem to need winter cold to bloom properly, as do most Iris, they may prove to be the best of Bearded Iris for Florida and similar climates close to the Gulf of Mexico.

HARDINESS: Cold hardy except December Royalty needs mulching in cold regions.

EARLY WINTER RE-BLOOMERS — (Start in Nov.)

I am grouping here, to aid you in your selection of varieties for your climate, those Winters which our records indicate will often start shooting up stalks or re-blooming in early or late Nov., and hence are likely to give a second bloom in many semi-mild or border-line localities too cold in most years to expect bloom from Dec. thru Feb. This group is so new that only meager records so far exist on the behavior of these varieties thruout the nation. So when you get re-blooming of these or other Winters, do let me hear from you, and quite possibly I'll pass your success story on to Iris lovers everywhere, thru the pages of this catalog. During mild winters most of these Early Winter Bloomers will also be blooming in late Feb. & early March.

AAHME — Where winters are mild, heaviest re-blooming is likely to be in Dec. or Jan. But as it often re-blooms also from Aug. to Nov., I list it with Summers, page 4.

ALTA ROSA EE-48" Under favorable conditions will bloom for 4 months, Nov. to Feb. Rich rosy-lavender blended bronze, large. Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order 95c

COLOR RIOT — Almost an ever-bloomer. Often blooms in early winter, but you will find it with Summers, page 4.

DECEMBER ROYALTY (Austin '51) E-34" See in color. Starts its second bloom in early or late Nov. & often keeps blooming till Christmas, so you can have a huge Iris bouquet beside the Christmas tree. A large bold flower in brilliant royal purple, darkening to intense wine-black. Noteworthy for its poise, substance, finish & for its smooth satiny hafts unmarred by veinings. Sometimes 15 to 20 flowers; hence, ideal to cut in bud stage before frosts get too severe, for almost unbelievable winter bouquets. Unexcelled as a parent, transmitting its admirable traits to its offspring, among which is my Winter Flame. In cold regions needs protection, such as a cold frame, to secure Dec. blooms. Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order \$1.50

GOOD SIR (White '43) VE-36" Large, attractive harmonizing variegata. Golden bronze standards, light crimson falls, edged bronze. Try it for arrangements. Late Nov. to Feb. Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order 95c

HAPPY VALLEY (Miess '50) EM-40" One of finest & largest of winter & spring bloomers. A beautiful amethyst-blue, intense orange beard tipped lemon. Falls broad at haft, rounded, flaring & ruffled. Delightfully fragrant. A magnificent flower. [Mountain Sky X Narain] Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order \$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50

MATTIE GATES — While often considered to be a Winter Bloomer, it starts re-blooming in the fall, so you'll find it with the Mid-Fall Re-Bloomers, page 9.

MISSION MELODY (Hamblen '55) EM-37" A bright, rosy orchid-pink bitone. Excellent form & substance. Large, wide tangerine beard. Re-blooms late fall or early winter. [Floradora X Cherie] Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order \$1.50

NIGHT PATROL (Benson '54) M-38" Resembles a blue-black butterfly in flight. A rich, smooth, deep blue-velvet. Stiff, flaring rigidly-held horizontal falls. Great blood for breeding dark Iris. First re-blooming is usually in Nov., sometimes in Oct. HC'50; HM'55 [The Admiral X Dymia] Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order \$1.25; 3 for \$3.55; 10 for \$7.50

NOEL VE-38" Apparently named to indicate bloom at Christmas-time. A splendid pure satiny white like a Magnolia petal. Beard yellow. Firm substance withstands winter storms. Well-branched stems, luxuriant foliage. Reported to bloom in mild climates, Oct. 15 right on thru winter and spring to end of June. Fertile both ways. \$1.50; on \$15 order \$1.00

ORCHID AND FLAME (Craig '54) VE-45" Blooms almost all year in Berkeley, Calif. A pinkish-orchid with flame beard; stunning for winter bouquets. Pollen plentiful. Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order \$1.35; 3 for \$3.45

PAGAN PRINCESS (Douglas '48) M-38" Standards lovely Persian pink, falls deep Persian rose. Large, well formed. Known to yield startling offspring. In great demand. Often re-blooms in winter in mild climates after starting in Nov. Fertile both ways. Seed parent of my Autumn Princess. HM'48. See photo. Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order 95c; 3, \$2.70; 10, \$6.25

PINK PINAFORE (Austin '52) EM-34" A charming pink plicata. Has delighted us by blooming in spring & again between Thanksgiving & Christmas, usually starting in mid or late Nov. Standards light yellow, so completely flushed as to appear orchid-pink. Falls wavy, heavily stippled & lined orchid-pink, edged gold. Simply superb branching starting about 10". Probably the only Winter-blooming pink plicata. Pollen parent of my new Autumn Rosemist. \$2; on \$15 order \$1.50

PRIVATEER (Tompkins '54) M-L-35" Somewhat of an everbloomer. Occasionally blooms in Aug. or in fall, as well as winter and spring. Approaches much-sought scarlet-red; hence stands out for unique brilliance, color long lasting, non-burning. Large, with broad petals, lovely flaring form, a velvety finish, no haft markings. HM'54. Pollen parent of the award-winning Captain Gallant. [Ebony Echo X Technicolor] Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order \$1.70; 3 for \$4.85

RODEO (DeForest '47) M-36" Enormous, "as conspicuous as a 'ten-gallon' hat." Yellow-ground plicata in a really bold, impressive pattern. Standards clear gold, falls white, edged gold, stitched in buckskin brown. Second bloom often starts in Nov.; sometimes not until Dec. Pollen plentiful. HM'49. Pollen parent of By-Line & Irma Melrose. Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order 95c

RUSSIAN BRONZE (Milliken '46) VE-30" See in color. Dependable long-season winter bloomer. Where climate permits, blooms every week, late fall till spring. Golden tawny and deep maroon. Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order \$1.00

FLOWER SHOW WINNER: "Russian Bronze from your Gardens won a red ribbon at our Flower Show." Charlene Coquat, Three Rivers, Texas.

SLICK CHICK (Linse '54) ML-36" Heavy late fall or winter bloomer. In our experience up here in the northern mountains 80% to 90% of large rhizomes send up stalks between Nov. 15 & Jan. 15 if weather is not too cold. In San Francisco Bay region reported a regular fall bloomer. Pure white with a greenish mid-rib; beard white. Pollen plentiful, fertile, sets seed. Perhaps the fertile key that will open the door to countless new & lovely things. [Lady Mohr X Snoqualmie] Reg. \$1.25; on \$15 order 95c; 3, \$2.70; 10, \$6.25

SOUTHLAND 22" We have had this for 15 years & in some winters, despite repeated snowstorms, it has given us more bloom than any other variety. In cold regions it will flower only in very early spring, but will give you a grand display of brightest yellow. Nov. to March. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order 75c

SUMMER SUN (Craig '51) M-38" Very full, flaring, deep yellow with small white signal that comes from a whole line of famous parents. Leathery substance, unusually smooth finish. Usually starts re-blooming in late Nov. Superb blood for blends, yellows, browns, reds and coppers, either in Tall Bearded or re-bloomers. [(Berkeley Gold x Tobacco Road) X (Ola Kala x Cascade Splendor)] Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order 95c

***** Winter Blooming STAR PERFORMER *****

TECHNICOLOR (Whiting '50) M-34" Nearest approach to spectrum red among Re-bloomers. Glowing ruby-mahogany. Hardy. Free flowering in spring. About Nov. 15 nearly every rhizome shoots up for 2nd bloom. Pollen plentiful. Descendants include Defiance, Privateer & Devil's Tongue. HM'50; RU AM'53 [Garden Glory X Rocket]. Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order \$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50

WINTER FLAME — Valuable as a Winter Bloomer, but as it starts its heavy second bloom in Oct., you'll find it with the Mid Fall Re-Bloomers, page 9.

Early Winter Re-Bloomers—No. 48—Any 5 of these 10: Alta Rosa, Happy Valley, Night Patrol, Orchid & Flame, Pagan Princess, Rodeo, Slick Chick, Southland, Summer Sun, Technicolor, for \$4.50; all 10, a \$13.75 value, for only \$8.95

MID & LATE WINTER RE-BLOOMERS

Most of these do not start their winter bloom until December or January, and continue for varying periods, depending on the variety and the weather. Some start in February or March, and continue right on thru April and May.

ARCADIA BUTTERCUP (Milliken '47) E-30" See in color. Exquisite deep golden yellow self, with exceptional life and sparkle. In mild climates will shower you with beautiful golden blossoms from midwinter on through regular Iris season. Try it for a profusion of Winter bloom. HM'48. Pollen parent of Tindalao. Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order \$1.25; 3 for \$3.55; 10 for \$7.50

BEL-AIR 30" Outstanding large, ruffled clear violet blue on tall, well-branched stems. The ruffling gives fascinating charm. \$1.25; on \$15 order 95c; 3, \$2.70; 10, \$6.25

BLUE FLURRY (Brown '55) EM-40" Flowers in Nov. or Dec. and again in Spring. A lovely light wistaria-blue with grace and charm. A large ruffled broad-petaled Iris with white beard and throat. Nicely branched. Fragrant. Plenty of pollen. [Snow Flurry X Hall pink sdlg.] Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order \$1.35; 3 for \$3.85

MID & LATE WINTER Re-Bloomers concluded on next page.

All 4 of these large-flowered Winter Bloomers, a \$7 value, for only \$4.95

DECEMBER ROYALTY

ARCADIA BUTTERCUP

RUSSIAN BRONZE
PINK PINAFORE





BLUE RIVER VE-36" A lovely clear medium blue with harmonizing blue beard. The bluest Iris available for bloom in mid & late winter. So enticingly fragrant a bouquet will soon perfume an entire room. Surprising quality for this price...\$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

CALIFORNIA PINK (Heller '48) E-45" Where climate is mild enough, as in southern California, will bloom 6 months out of year. Long spring bloom with additional later bloom to Dec., even Jan. A tall, gorgeous light bright orchid pink, novel lilac-white beard which is heritable, giving lovely color effects in its offspring, at least 1 of which I will introduce soon.....Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50**

COPPER ORANGE M-20" Winter bloom likely to commence around Dec. 15. Extremely brilliant, always the center of attraction. Standards intense coppery orange; falls closely approaching scarlet, just right for arrangements in a copper kettle. My most vivid Iris for so modest a price.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **75c**

ESCAPADE (Tompkins '52) ML-36" Rich, glowing orchid, gold border, frilled & shimmering. Re-blooms Dec. & Jan. in mild climates.....Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

MOHRNING DOVE (Craig '53) E-32" Very heavy second bloom, starting in early Dec. An Oncobred & one of my favorites. Immense flower, curiously & interestingly patterned. Standards soft dove-grey; falls grey, flushed yellow-green. (Eucalyptus to Old Ivory), stippled & veined sandalwood. A beauty! [Mariposa Mia X Capitola].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35**

FEATURE OFFERING in Winter Bloomers

ROSE PEARL (Salbach '44) E to M-28" My personal favorite of all Iris in this price class. Standards opalescent ivory pink; falls deep rose, gilded gold. Long blooming period late Feb. or Mar. to May.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15**

SAN PASQUAL VE-36" Very large, like famous Ranger. Bright yellow beard. Standards light carmine; falls rich, dark velvety carmine. Re-blooming commonly starts in Dec. Fragrant.....Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**

SPRINGTIME MADONNA (Milliken '49) VE-34" Symphony in cream and gold. Where winters are mild, likely to bloom in Dec., Jan. or Feb. A creamy-yellow; bright gold edge.....Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

SUNSET PINK (Murray '55) M-44" Has delightful habit, wherever winters permit, of starting its bloom in Feb., continuing thru March & all of April. It is almost unbeatable for length of blooming season. Very pleasing clean, rosy pink. Tall, nicely branched stalks with 15 or more buds. [Spindrift x Inspiration] X Twilight Sky].....Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.15; 3 for \$3.30**

TOURNAMENT QUEEN VE-36" Usually starts its winter bloom in Dec. Has color, size and form. Luscious bright fuchsia-toned. Stiff flaring falls spread 7". Fragrant.....Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$7.50**

"Am very new to gardening and last year ordered iris from you, and have been enjoying them since last December, when we had a grand display from Tournament Queen and San Pasqual. Is very rewarding to a new iris fan to have such lovely blossoms and large plants."—Mrs. E. W. Facer, Menlo Park, California.

WHITONE (Welch '53) E-11" Walter Welch says this Dwarf is superior to all existing whites for display & breeding. Standards white, falls infused chartreuse yellow. Blooms Feb. & Mar. Pollen plentiful. [Elegance X (Fiancee x Fairy)] . . .Reg. 85c; on \$15 order **70c**

Mid & Late Winter Re-Bloomers—No. 49—Choose from: Bel-Air, Blue Flurry, Blue River, California Pink, Escapade, Rose Pearl, San Pasqual, Sunset Pink, Tournament Queen, Whitone.....Any 5 for **\$4.75**; all 10, a \$13.85 value, for only **\$8.95**

My Favorite Winter Re-Bloomers—No. 50—See page 2. Amazingly generous assortments of my personal favorites in Early, Mid & Late Winter Re-Bloomers for.....**\$5.00, \$10.00 or \$25.00**, as you prefer

Color Plate Winter Re-Bloomers—No. 51—All 4: December Royalty, Arcadia Buttercup, Russian Bronze & Pink Pinafore.....for only **\$4.95**

FACTUAL BASIS for my Groupings of RE-BLOOMERS—(Pages 4 to 12)

(And for my + and - symbols in red, blue & black, as explained in table on page 3)

In order to gradually build up a reliable factual fund of information on which to base both the cataloging & hybridizing of Re-Bloomers, & to supplement the data sent in by many customers, I have devoted many days during the past year to field dictating of detailed data on the nature of the re-blooming that has occurred in our 5-acre Iris garden, about half of which is now devoted to varieties that re-bloom in varying degrees. Once each month from June to December, & in every one of our 1,000 plots of re-blooming varieties & seedlings I took records on over a dozen pertinent points, starting with the total number of blooming-size rhizomes & the number of these that are re-blooming at the time so that we can compute the **percent of re-bloom for every variety for each month**. In each plot on each date I also made record of the earliest, predominating & latest stages of bloom, to supply a measure of the **length & timing of the blooming periods** of the many different varieties. Then came records on the **height, branching & erectness of the stalks**, & ratings on the **size, color, form & substance of the flowers**; & finally, ratings on the **greenness & abundance of the foliage**. All in all, during 1960, there were recorded over 50,000 bits of information on Re-Blooming Iris. In time we hope to know whereof we speak.

OUR 1959 & 1960 SUMMER & FALL IRIS DISPLAYS—Before 1959 we had little realization of the extent of summer & fall bloom that is possible up here in the northern mountains, at an elevation of 3,000 feet. But during the summer of 1959 we had no less than 60 Iris varieties blooming to some extent. In 1960 that number jumped to exactly 80. In all cases where the summer bloom, or the bloom in Sept. or Oct. was substantial, I am conveying the information to you by means of my various plus symbols following the variety names in the Summer and Autumn sections. From early Sept. to mid Dec. we had literally thousands of Iris flowers in bloom continuously in spite of heavy daily digging in practically all plots to fill orders. I attribute this phenomenal floral spectacle to two things. First, the many new and vastly improved re-blooming varieties that we have recently introduced or added to our garden. And second, to our improved cultural practices, particularly the use of **fertilized irrigation water**, or liquid manure, during dry spells in spring and especially from June thru Aug. Brief cultural directions for Re-Bloomers are given on page 3, and more complete ones are included with all orders.

ACHIEVING CONTINUITY OF BLOOM

To insure practically continuous bloom in your garden you should, obviously, have several varieties in each of my **6 re-blooming categories** (pages 4-12), in so far as your climate will permit. The sequence of these, of course, is: **Summer, Early Fall, Mid Fall, Late Fall, Early Winter and Mid & Late Winter**. I suggest trying **several varieties in each category** since different varieties respond differently to varying soil & climatic conditions & no one can predict without trial just when each variety will re-bloom under your particular conditions. But by having several varieties for each portion of the season you greatly increase the chances of having some Iris in bloom practically every week.

And remember, too, that ordinarily every rhizome does not re-bloom. So the more plants you have, the surer you are to have abundant re-blooming. With this in mind, I have provided for you reduced prices for 3 or 10 of a kind, wherever my stocks permit. And to aid you still further I have taken special pains to provide an **easy way** for you to acquire **2 rhizomes each of certain RE-BLOOMERS** for the price of 1. I refer to my offer on page 3 for **TESTERS of Re-Bloomers**.

FIND THE KINDS BEST ADAPTED TO YOUR LOCAL CONDITIONS: In presenting for your approval such a very extensive listing of **Summer, Autumn & Winter Bloomers**, I am pioneering a very new subject. These are actually the world's only comprehensive offerings in this field. In any new endeavor there is much yet to be learned, but I do want to point out that while re-blooming is **strongly inherent** in these particular varieties that I offer, the expression of this characteristic depends on suitable environmental conditions. I have customers in thousands of different communities & naturally cannot predict with certainty from here just which Re-Bloomers will prove best adapted to YOUR local soil & climate.

But **YOU** can easily make your own tests & find out quickly which kinds re-bloom best for you & which flowers you prefer. In any climate re-blooming depends mostly on selection of the right varieties & proper care according to directions I supply. **Get in on the fun** & see how many varieties **YOU** can get to re-bloom. Then let me know your results. I may soon be offering prizes for the most successful re-blooming gardens in different geographic regions of the country. In my new large-scale hybridization program I am now producing literally thousands of brand new re-blooming seedlings every year. The one or two best & most persistent in re-blooming in each thousand will be named & introduced & thus become available to **TESTERS** & others. Don't miss the new ones as they appear in each new edition of my catalog.

THE RE-BLOOMERS ARE ALREADY COMING INTO THEIR OWN: "I'm getting tired of hearing 'I love Iris but they bloom such a short time.' I have a friend here, about a mile from me, who has not been without at least one Iris blooming in her yard since July of last year; that is, **14 months without a break in the Iris bloom**. We are preaching re-bloomers all the time." Sept. 24, 1959. Mrs. Zerak Maye Brummett, El Paso, Texas.

I want to hear from everyone who has had easy-to-grow Bearded Iris in bloom all 12 months; and for people in cold climates, I'd like to hear from all who have had Iris bloom in every month from the last spring frost to the first fall frost. Looks to me like I am soon going to have to set up a national competition in this joyful pursuit of happiness and eternal rainbow colors. Better get YOUR garden stocked up and ready to win a handsome prize when the contest is announced!

"Joy of joys! One of your golden Iris accommodately has bloomed for Christmas. Wonder if you all grasp how many lives you brighten. Merry Xmas." C. M. Goethe, Sacramento, California.

TANGERINE-BEARDED Iris — (Cont. from page 38)

Tangerine-Bearded BLUES and PURPLES

BLUE ABALONE — The only blue Oncobred with tangerine beard. Page 39.

COLOR RIOT — A riotous contrast of rose and crimson-purple, orange-red beard, page 4.

ENCHANTED VIOLET (Hamblen '58) ML-36" A glamorous & dramatic new break in breeding Tangerine Bearded Iris. A large light violet with splash of pink & orchid in the falls. Startling bright reddish-tangerine beard. Falls broad, ruffled. Heavy substance. A wonderful Iris holding great breeding potentials in many colors, including blues with tangerine beard. **JC'59; AM'60** [(Helen McGregor x Radiation) X Palomino].....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**

MY HAPPINESS (Sass '56) M-38" My very first offering of the first Tall Bearded blue with a tangerine beard. The only other of this color is my Blue Abalone. This is one everyone has been waiting for, so you gardeners will have to act fast to beat the hybridizers for stock of this beauty. A very pleasing medium blue with medium sized flowers. Beautiful form. A real color break. **HC'55; HM'57** [From F. Zenor, P. Sun., Matula, Seashell, etc.]...Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$8.50**

Strange and Unusual Iris to Amaze Your Friends

World's First Truly DOUBLE Iris — New for '61

DOUBLE ROSE (Recknor '61) L-35" A fantastically doubled flower—tosses aside what has been conventional Iris form for centuries, **adopts instead the form of a big, double rose**—& hence its name! While descended from 2 Bearded Iris, fall-like petals have no beards, & may be semi-erect or quite spreading. Center filled with curved, nearly erect, standard-like petals, large style arms & petaloid styles resembling standards. Heretofore, so-called "double" Iris I tested showed relatively little doubling; but **no seeker of the unusual will be disappointed in lack of doubling in Double Rose, as it doesn't grow any other way!** Introduced primarily as a breeder's Iris since adverse weather sometimes prevents complete normal opening. Yet it certainly has genes for doubling. Some enterprising breeder will take this & produce an Iris to startle the world. **Why not you?** A blend of deep & bright crimson with mahogany & yellow. Hybridized by Mrs. E. F. Recknor, Creston, Iowa. [Day Dreamer X El Paso]..... Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

Iris of EXOTIC COLORINGS

MARBLED SNOW (Austin '61) E-40" My '61 introduction that will appeal to those who are seeking something really different & distinctive in Iris, for this combines the beautiful, intense marbling of my **Clementina** with the unique crinkled petals of **Zua**. A delicate blue-white, heavily marbled in deep lavender. One of the rare **Regeliabreds** that I obtained by using pollen of the **Regelia Orestes** on **Snow Flurry**. Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.55**

CORSAJE (Watkins '55) E-LM-32" One of the few Iris I would not be without. Nothing else like it; a delight to all who see it. Pure satiny white, **Pixie-painted**, haphazardly splashed brilliant yellow in a gay pattern; no two petals ever alike. Terrific garden appeal. . Reg. \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.25**

CUBA LIBRE (Plough '57) EM-35" A real novelty in a fancy type *plicata*. Standards **pansy violet**; falls **plum purple**. Striking, unusual features are **hafts & throat of bright clear yellow**. Pronounced Cu'ba Lee'bray. Try for something really different. [Aladdin's Wish X Cuban Carnival].....
..... Regularly \$4.00; on \$15 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$7.55**

LULU MARGUERITE (DeForest '56) M-38" If you want something totally different, this is it! Unusual in coloring, unusual in pattern. An iridescent lilac-blue, petals bordered with glittering gold gilt. Most remarkable, midribs of standards flushed gold leaf which spreads out thru the veins in a most fascinating manner. Try it. **HM'59; JC'60** [Blue Rehobeth Sdg. X Cloudcap].....
.....Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$14.10**

✶ORCHID QUEEN (Schörtman '55) EM-40" Cream heavily patterned with lines of orchid, like the wings of an exotic butterfly. No other Iris like this. Large wide flowers, nicely spaced on ramrod stalks with good branching. Already producing unusual seedlings in plicatas, reds, fancies & would be wonderful to try with some of the Oncobreds that have the veining. [Snow Flurry X (Inspiration x Balmug)].
 Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

SMITHSONIAN (Plough '56) ML-34" Has been called the RED, WHITE and BLUE Iris. Buds light blue, opening to blue-white flowers changing to pure white with prominent deep red-tangerine beard. A startling color break; very useful in breeding, especially with Onco-breds. [Elmhor X Sib. to Pink Formal]. .Reg. \$4.00; on \$15 order **\$3.40; 3 for \$9.70**

WILLIWAW (Plough '57) EM-34" A strange novelty for your visitors to exclaim over. They will think they are seeing things when they behold chalk white flowers opening from violet buds. All of the color is on underside of falls which are deep violet. This is indeed what may be termed a **conversation piece**. Named for snow-swirling wind of Arctic northland. [Aladdin's Wish X Pretty Pansy]. Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**

The Two CREPE PAPER Iris

ELIZABETH HUNTINGTON VE-20" Most remarkable & interesting Intermediate Iris with petals heavily crinkled like crepe paper. Large flowers in lilac-blue, deeper in the falls. Pollen plentiful. [Sport of Zua]..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**

ZUA VE-14" Original crepe-paper Iris, petals more crinkled & creped than in any other. An early-blooming Intermediate Iris that takes everyone's fancy. A most unusual & interesting frosty-white, flushed pale blue. [Sport of Florentina]..... Reg. \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**

Useful **VARIEGATED-LEAVED** Iris

CREAM COCKATOO (Keith '56) M-34" My first offering of this remarkable Iris the breeders & arrangers have been waiting for. The only variegated-leaved Tall Bearded Iris other than Zebra; only one with yellow flowers. Foliage varies from green to white, with most fans strongly striped. May prove to be key that unlocks the whole wonderful field of variegated-leaved Iris in a multitude of Rainbow colors. Be the first to try it!

..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.70**

FEATURE OFFERING in Novelties

PINK MARBLE (Austin '55) E-24" White marbling in the green leaves is a curious, decorative phenomenon giving an appearance quite distinct from striping in leaves of Zebra.

A bright **orchid-rose self**, full, rounded, with broad petals, stiffly arched standards, typical of true Oncobreds. Rhizomes naturally small. [Cherie X Capitola].....
 Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$1.95**

ZEBRA (*Pallida variegata*) M-30" A novelty needed in every garden. Leaves striped in creamy yellow & green in a pattern much like that of a zebra. Has striking ornamental value from March to Nov. Just the thing for individualistic flower arrangements & corsages. Flowers light blue. Best used as edgings or clumps to attract attention, so I give you special group prices.

See Ektachrome.

2 for \$1.95; on \$15 order **3 for \$1.95**



**SUSIANA
HYBRID**

★★ **Novelty STAR PERFORMER—ONCO-LIKE** Oncobred ★★

SUSIANA HYBRID VE-15" My new **color plate** shows you the **many** ways in which this resembles the widely-sought true Onco more than any other Oncobred. Note particularly the **boldness & blackness of its signal patch; very broad brown beard**, often over 1" across; & fascinating, intricate Onco-like pattern of veining. A large, **glorious, hardy red-violet descendant of most famous of Oncos, Susiana**, so much like a true Onco that for 10 years we grew it in beds with our many Oncos. But we found it **much more robust & water-resistant than any Onco**. Last few years we have grown it with complete success in beds of Bearded Iris that get summer irrigation following our winter rainfall of about 45". Full parentage not known, but must be an Oncobred, with enough Bearded blood to give it the adaptability everyone wants. Foliage & rhizomes small, Onco-like, but flowers surprisingly large. **Should succeed almost anywhere & give universally-sought fascination & excitement of an Onco, without usual difficulties** in making it happy in your garden.

Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.75; 3 for \$7.85**

REAL HARDINESS: "Susiana Hybrid is the only Onco which survived this rugged climate. It's lovely." Raymond R. Baker, Ashland, New Hampshire.

Intriguing TULIP-FLOWERED Iris

CLEMATIFLORA (Vallette '60) M-24" One of the oddest Iris. Like a widely-opened yellow-cream tulip, sometimes flat. Standards narrow, erect, irregularly placed, giving exotic effect. Stigmas normal..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35**

THURLOW WEED (Weed '43) EM-38" Oddest, strangest Iris in my garden. Has 6 nearly identical petals arched in cup-like fashion. More like a pitcher plant, or fly-catcher than an Iris. All 6 petals quite beardless from external appearance; so essentially a "bearded" Iris without a beard. Stigmas normal, so crossing is possible. A creamy white, flushed in yellow. Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25**

WHITE CHALICE (raught '57) L-32" Newly-opened flower greatly resembles a white chalice, tho in somewhat irregular fashion; or even a white tulip. Falls of fresh flowers stand upright, enclosing standards like a cup. As flower ages all 6 petals spread, transforming it into a flat flower. Heavy substanted, white with greenish cast. A delight to arrangers & appealing to all who crave something out of the ordinary. [(19H x Cahokia) X Spanish Peaks]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

Extra FRAGRANT Beauties

BLUE SURPRISE—My very fragrant Re-Bloomer, page 8.

SO SWEET (LaFrenz '54) EM-40" One of the most fragrant Iris in our entire garden. At Iris shows its fragrance causes people to stop. Lovely pale porcelain blue-white, large rounded flowers. [Snow Flurry X Chivalry] Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.50**

SWEET MYSTERY (Porrea '59) 36" Blessed with a **delightful intense fragrance** that to-date has defied identification, hence the name. If you enjoy fragrance in your garden, you will certainly want this. A clear ruffled light blue of excellent form & substance on a rugged, hardy plant. {Helen McGregor X Chivalry} **HC.**
Regularly \$15.00, on \$25 order \$9.95, 3 for \$26.85

WHISPERWOOD 38" Most fragrant blue, large.... Reg. \$1.00; on \$15 order 85c



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My breeding work with the Horned Iris started in 1944. Ten years later I introduced **UNICORN**, the first Horned Iris, and in the years that followed came 13 other Horned beauties in various colors. 1960 marked the birth of the **Spooned Iris**, the first distinct race to evolve as an offshoot from the Horned race. Now, the year 1961 marks the first public introduction of the new **Flounced race**. These marvelous Flounced and Spooned varieties represent the culmination of 17 years' work in this field. They are the Iris with developing wings for the **AGE OF SPACE**, and you will find these 1961 introductions featured on the back cover and illustrated in color on both covers.

I have been besieged with many requests on how to best use these new arrivals in hybridization work to carry out further improvements. As this is much too lengthy a subject to cover in detail in this catalog, I am fortunate in being able to offer to all who are interested a 12-page reprint of my current article in the April Bulletin of the American Iris Society entitled: **"CONTROLLED EVOLUTION OF THE HORNED, SPOONED AND FLOUNCED IRIS."** This is available for 50c, or entirely free on request, while they last, with any order of \$15.00 or more. The article traces the breeding plans that have been followed over the past 17 years and shows how and thru what crosses the new races and varieties have evolved. It also outlines a number of future breeding objectives in this fascinating new field. A complete table is included showing, for 38 varieties, pollen & seed setting ratings, chromosome numbers & yield to date in Horned, Spooned & Flounced offspring. Be sure to ask for your copy when you send in your order, and be prepared to join in on the fun of producing more of the most startling new Iris the world has ever seen.

As these various manifestations of horns are in the very earliest stages of the evolution of these Space-Age characters you will find them not completely constant, but sometimes delightfully variable, with unexpected surprises awaiting you almost any time. Under conditions of poor establishment, or late in the season, when soil nutrients and moisture are depleted, the various elaborations of the horns are sometimes much reduced, or may even disappear. But under favorable growing conditions the most unexpected things can happen—a variety normally only horned may suddenly throw stunning big spoons; and some of the spooned varieties may occasionally astonish you with full-fledged, gorgeous flounces! Truly, these are the adventurous Iris of today's Space-Age.

FEATURE OFFERING in Horned Iris—1961 INTRODUCTION

HORNED PAPA (Austin '61) L-37" A remarkable Iris that has actually become famous, even before its introduction, as a phenomenal pollen-parent of horned, spooned & even flounced Iris. It is a yellow, flushed & lightly splashed in crimson, with horns varying mostly from 1/3" to 1". But hereditary genes are such that pollen of this on non-horned Happy Birthday has already yielded all of these: **Horned Tangerine '60, Fabulous Fringes '61, Spoon of Gold '61, Lemon Spoon '61 and Golden Unicorn '62.** Has proved so valuable in crossing I have propagated large quantities and have held back introduction until I have enough to offer at a price way down, within reach of every eager hybridizer. Thus I have arranged it so you may start now, without waiting years for price to come down. Better order Happy Birthday, too, if you do not have it. The very best "buy" in this entire catalog for the busy hybridizer!..... Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order \$2.95; 3 for \$7.50. Horned Papa and Happy Birthday for only \$3.80 on \$15 order

HORNED SKYLARK (Austin '57) ML-52" Towers above all ordinary Iris. Standards light yellow, beautifully waved. Falls nearly horizontal, cream with light yellow edge. Very prominent, fully bearded horn an inch long. Wonderful for breeding, an excellent seed-setter—gave several pods full of seed on each plant last year. Pods are HUGE, reminding one of small cucumbers. Seedparent of two of my introductions, **Horned Lace** and **Lacy Lantern**. Now you try it. Branching good. Very vigorous, foliage yard-high, nearly evergreen. [(JS-M-176B x 638) X Twilight Sky].. Reg. \$7.50; on \$15 order \$4.95; 3 for \$12.60

HORNED AMETHYST (Austin '60) M-36" One of the most consistent of all horned Iris in producing striking long horns, usually 1" to 1 1/2" long, sometimes lightly spooned. A self in scintillating amethyst, of very novel form, with the falls somewhat rolled in from the sides. Pollen variable; a good seed setter. If crossed with a Flamingo Pink may well yield a Tangerine-Bearded horned Iris. [(JS-M-176B x 638) X Pink Tower]. This is one of my sensational EXTRA PREMIUMS. This or UNICORN is available free on all orders of \$15.00 or more mailed within 15 days. See page 20..... Reg. \$5.00; on \$15 order \$4.25

HORNED LACE (Austin '60) M-38" My color photograph is so like the shimmering reality that a description is hardly needed. Yes, here is beauty personified. This world's first combination of prominent horns with heavily laced petal edges produces an effect that simply captivates every viewer. Unexcelled for growing for exhibition at flower shows where it is sure to be a sensation. A very large flower, the largest of the horned Iris to date. Pollen varies from fair to good; an extremely heavy seed-setter. [Horned Skylark X Ruffled Apache]..... Regularly \$25.00; on \$35 order 2 for \$25.00; on \$50 order 3 for \$25.00

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HORNED ROSYRED (Austin '58) M-40" Standards pink, flushed golden-bronze. Falls crimson, prominent gold network at hafts. Beard heavy, bright yellow, ending in a prominent horn 1/2" to 1" long, often curved sharply upward as shown in Ektachrome. Brightest of horned Iris. Pollen parent of Spooned Premiere & Double Horn. Pollen abundant, fertile; sets seed readily. Thus you can get the highly interesting variable F₂ generation. [(JS-M-176B x 638) X Pink Formal].... Regular \$12.50; on \$20 order \$7.95; 3 for \$21.45

HORNED RUBYFALLS (Austin '58) EM-M-38" A novel horned bicolor, almost a variegata! Standards pale yellow, flushed light red. Falls ruby-red, bright orange-yellow beard, ends in a horn usually 1/2" to 3/4" long. Pollen abundant. [(JS-M-176B x 638) X Cherie].... Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order \$1.95

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HORNED TANGERINE (Austin '60) L-34" World's first tangerine-bearded horned Iris. Petals laced to boot. A very lovely combination—standards light pink; falls bright pinkish-lavender. Beard heavy, wide, bright tangerine, ending in slender upturned deep lavender horn. Pollen profuse. [Happy Birthday X Horned Papa]..... Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order \$6.95; 3 for \$17.70

MULBERRY SNOW (Austin '55) L-40" One of most novel color patterns ever seen. Actually a "snow-capped" appearance due to large prominent white blaze at top of fall, around beard. Standards dark reddish wine. Falls below white blaze intense mulberry, lined in white in a fancy pattern. At end of beard is a prominent mulberry horn. A fine breeder, both as seed parent and pollen parent. Its pollen gave me Flounced Marvel, Horned Mystery and others for later introduction. [(JS-M-176B x 638)]... Reg. \$5.00; on \$15 order \$3.35

PINK UNICORN (Austin '60) M-36" My color photo tells the story. Horns sometimes feathered or forked in a manner most intriguing, never before seen. Takes but a small flight of the imagination to visualize, highly decorative horns, branched & frilled to a remarkable degree. Who will be first to produce them? Will it be you? You're likely to get startling tangerine-bearded horned Iris, for Twilight Sky is pollen parent of Pink Unicorn. Has good pollen & sets seed. Pollen parent of Spooned Delight '61. You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words. See page 24. [(JS-M-176B x 638) X Twilight Sky]..... Regularly \$12.50; on \$20 order \$7.95

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SPOONED FANTOM

HORNED LACE

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Loveliest
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PLUMED DELIGHT (Austin '55) M-32" See in color A bewitching yellow cream, washed and veined in grayish lilac, bordered in pale yellow. Falls beautifully rippled, stiffly horizontal. Beards are yellow & white, extend out along deep violet horns. A heavy bloomer, frequently producing 2 or 3 stalks from a single rhizome. No pollen, but a very heavy seed-setter. Often spooned. Seedparent of Flounced Premiere, Spooned Delight and 2 for '62 introduction. [JS-M-176B X 638].....Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$14.10**

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HORNED ROYALTY (Austin '58) EM-40" A striking bitone, as my Ektachrome shows. Standards amethyst-pink. Falls deep royal-purple, with 1/2" to 3/4" horn projecting from end of heavy yellow beard. Horns sometimes spooned. Pollen plentiful. Try both selfing & crossing. May yield a Horned Twice-Bloomer, as several plants re-bloomed last Nov. [(JS-M-176B x 638) X Fantasy]..\$3.00; on \$15 order **\$1.95**

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***** **SPOONED FANTOM** (Austin '60) EML-36" A fascinating earlier stage than Spooned Premiere in evolution of the Spooned Iris. As may be seen in my color photograph spoons at ends of long horns are considerably smaller, but usually stand erect in a very striking manner. Different flowers may vary from spooned to horned, but all are delightful. I set 14 pods on it in 1959. Pollen scarce, yet quite fertile. Sweetly fragrant. Excellent branching. Now it's your turn to try it. Lowest-priced spooned Iris available today. [JS-M-176B X 638]... You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words. See page 24.

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SPOONED PREMIERE (Austin '60) ML-30" Behold in life-like color, the world's first Spooned Iris. An imaginative, almost magical development of my world-famous Horned Iris. Here the ends of the three horns have mystically enlarged and subtly transformed into broad decorative spoons, adding a charming embellishment no Iris ever had before. Sets seed; pollen variable, often plentiful. [Austin Horned Seedling J-910 X Horned Rosyred].....Regularly \$35.00; on \$50 order **\$30.00**

UNICORN (Austin '54) M-L-42" World's first horned Iris & famous 'round the world, yet for this year only I'm offering it entirely **FREE** with all orders of \$15.00 or more mailed within 15 days. See EXTRA Premium for early ordering & color picture on page 20. Be sure to get in on this chance of a lifetime. If you need credit to be able to order within 15 days, see left column on page 2. But get that order in within 15 days! Seedparent of Fringed Spoon; pollen parent of Flounced Loveliness. [JS-M-176B X 638].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$4.25**

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QUEEN'S LACE—Ultimate in Lacy Perfection. See page 17

ALICE LEMEN (Plough '57) M-33" An eye-catcher with heavily crinkled & very lacy flowers. Selected as most heavily crimped & fluted of many lacy beauties resulting from this cross. Standards nicely closed, of Empire yellow; falls white with yellow hafts. Fertile both ways & is producing fine seedlings. **JC'60** [(Gold Ruffles x Cherie) X Twenty Grand]... Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$18.95**

BUTTERSCOTCH KISS (Plough '57) ML-36" Full sister seedling to Caribou Trail, shown in color. This is more of a golden butterscotch yellow, with a gold dust glitter all over. Yellow intensified in heart of flower & along petal edges. Heavily substance; very heavily laced. Fertile both ways; with qualities like this it will be in terrific demand among hybridizers. **JC'58; AM'59** [(Cascade Splendor x Honeyflow) X Twenty Grand]... Regularly \$20.00; on \$30 order **\$12.95; 3 for \$34.95**

★ **CHANTILLY** M-36" See Ektachrome. Finest inexpensive laced Iris today. A wonderful parent—these 2 pages contain several descendants of Chantilly. If others have gotten good ones, why not you? A luscious orchid-pink. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40; 10 for \$5.00**

CRINKLED RIBBON (Schreiner '56) M-38" Exciting bright blend—tan and rosy lavender, with heavily crinkled edges. Intriguing; comes from new line of breeding for the lacy type. Pollen profuse. [Pathfinder X Rose Splendor]... Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.90**

CRINKLED SUNSET (Plough '57) ML-32" A splendid new one from the originator of famous Butterscotch Kiss and Caribou Trail. Said to be the most heavily laced and shirred creation yet developed. A rich deep blend in sunset coloring. Standards lavender buff; falls violet-pink and buff. Outstanding and very colorful. **HM'58; RU-JC'59** [Quest X Cliffdel]... Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$7.10**

CUTIE PIE (Madsen '56) ML-36" A heavily laced charmer that is sure to grab your heart-strings. Comes from two of finest lacy parents, so is almost certain to pass lace on to its children. A complete self in light wisteria-violet with lemon-yellow beard and heart. Stunning! [Ruffled Gem X Chantilly]... Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.90**

★ Pages 16 and 17—THE DELIGHTFUL NEW ★ Race of LACY LOVELIES ★

This entrancing new Race of LACED Iris represents a fortunate mutation in Iris form, and has developed very rapidly during the last few years. It has been so well received that it has literally taken the country by storm. Today no Iris garden is complete without at least a few of these frilly lovelies with petal edges adorned as if with lace. Assembled on these two pages for your convenience.

ENCHANTED LACE (Wallace '56) L-36" A new and imposing beauty. A fine large peach blend with heavy ruffling and lacing. The winsome effect derived from wide flaring falls will create a sensation wherever grown or shown. [Centennial Queen X Chantilly]... Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$17.95**

FIRST CURTAIN (Muhlestein '57) M-30" A real improvement on Party Dress which has been my long-time favorite heavily laced pink. Now First Curtain supersedes this as being one of the very finest and truest pink selfs in existence. The heavily laced petal edges make the flower simply adorable. Everyone who sees it immediately falls in love with it. The substance of the blooms is heavy, the color a very clear rich pink with a heavy red-tangerine beard. Top-notch for any breeder. Sometimes re-blooms, & passes this trait on to its children, as in Sweet Tomorrow. [Party Dress X Pink Fulfillment]... Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$28.35**

FRILLY FRINGES (Reckamp '56) M-38" Probably no other lacy lovely has ever received so many favorable comments. Often characterized as "grand," sometimes as "finest Iris in our garden." A bitone in clear cream with light yellow at hafts. Standards, falls & style arms all intensely frilled & laced on edges. Entire flower overlaid with a crystalline glow. Fertile both ways. Will be in demand for its beauty & for hybridizing. **JC'58; RU-AM'60** [Blue sdlg. X Pink Sdlg.]... Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$4.25; 3 for \$12.10**

FUTURAMIC (Plough '56) M-33" A frilled & shirred floral treasure in soft pastel tones. Falls chrome yellow, shading to bengal rose at tips. Standards a lighter tint of bengal rose, shading to chrome. Substance very heavy & leathery. Stalks sturdy, beautifully branched. Proving to be a fine breeder; already has yielded Grand Coulee & Hindu Wand. [Cascade Splendor X Chantilly]... Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$3.15**

GAY APPAREL (Schirmer '58) ML-34" Gay, and very new is this colorful laced novelty. Really outstanding, due to very heavy golden-buff lacing at ends of very flaring heavy substance falls in lilac-pink. Beard light yellow. Standards creamy-pink with a lacing around edge. Coloring is so sparkling and so different some have called it a "fancy." Greatly admired at '55 Canadian Convention. Pollen exceedingly abundant. **HM'58** [(Overture x Chantilly) X Pink Reflection]... Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$4.75**

GOLDEN GARLAND—Delectable "Lacy Lovely" of gigantic size, with Colossals, p. 19.

GUSSIE (Corey '53) ML-35" Reputed to have laciest edges of any Iris. A lovely orchid self, gold hafts, lemon beard. Likely to contribute lacing to offspring. [Chantilly X (Day-break x Midwest Gem)]... Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

HORNED LACE—The ultimate in lacy beauty. See page 14.

JUNE BRIDE (Hall '52) M-32" A delectable deep apricot pink. A large lacy flower, stiff horizontal falls. Beard prominent, bright, red-tangerine. **HM'52; RU-AM'56 & '57**... Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **95c**

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LACY LANTERN (Austin '60) VL-38" A seedling of my Horned Skylark & a full sister to Horned Lace that is heavily & very pleasingly laced but has no horns—at least not yet, but they may pop out unexpectedly, judging from the behavior of other Iris with horned parents. Standards bright yellow, top edges heavily crimped & laced. Falls semi-flaring, light yellow, cream flush in center, ends heavily laced. Extra heavy substance enables it to withstand sun & storms. Blooms very late, extending season 2 weeks. [Horned Skylark X Ruffled Apache]... Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60** ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

★ **LACY ORCHID** (Noyd '57) M-30" A breath-taking beauty from the northwest. A nicely formed broad-petaled orchid-pink with rosy tan haft and rich tangerine beard. Beautifully laced and ruffled. [(Prairie Sunset Sdlg. x Cigarette) X Pink Sensation]... Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

CARIBOU

TRAIL

CARIBOU TRAIL (Plough '57) ML-32" One of finest members of this ever-growing clan of lacy beauties. My Ektachrome shows you better than any words the spontaneous appeal of this rich, glowing golden brown with a bright violet blaze. All petal edges & style crests heavily crimped & shirred. A commanding creation of large size & heavy substance. **JC'58; AM'59** [(Cascade Splendor x Honeyflow) X Twenty Grand]... Reg. \$8.50; on \$15 order **\$8.10**

RUFFLED

APACHE



The Iris—Rival of the Rainbow and the Peacock.

LEMON MERINGUE (Noyd '57) M-VL-30" A delightful & very contrasty lacy edged bicolor. Standards rich gleaming lemon; falls snow white with a bright lemon border. Petals very broad with heavily laced edges. [Midwest Gem x New Horizon] X Song of Songs]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$2.85**

MAZATLAN (Hall '59) M-32" A beautiful new novelty in unusual coloring. Standards snow-white, flushed amber at base. Falls have white ground, blending to lilac-blue beyond center. Beard red-orange on amber ground. Named for exciting fishing resort on west coast of Mexico, with white fleecy clouds, blue skies & brilliant sunsets. Entire flower fringed & shirred at margins. Try this for something really different!..... Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**

MEXICAN HAT (Rogers '59) ML-36" A lacy, very rich red blend containing a multitude of fascinating colors. Standards closed, bright pansy-violet; falls flaring reddish violet, shading to ruby red edges with garnet brown hafts. Throat and beard lemon. Has a substance found in few Iris; stands up in intense sunlight & low humidity. [(Burgundy Rose x Dolly Varden) X Chantilly]..... Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$18.95**

MY DARLING (Daling '56) M-38" A lacy-edged beauty of real distinction. Standards white, suffused with orchid-lilac; falls deeper orchid-lilac on a white base. Outstanding feature is heavy Burmese Gold lacy edging on all the petals. Beard boldly contrasting in deep orange. When you see this in the garden, you just can't pass it by. Pollen abundant. [(Chantilly x Lavender and Gold Lace) X (Alexia x Easter Bonnet)]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.95**

ORCHID RUFFLES (Schreiner '54) EM-35" First true lavender with that much-sought lacy edge. A flower of shimmering loveliness & ethereal beauty that the discriminating Iris fancier will take to his heart. Far-sighted breeders will cross with other lacy edged Iris. HM'56; JC'57 [Harriet Thoreau X (Angelus x ?) x (Matula x sdg.: (Noweta x Violet Cr.))]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.40**

FEATURE OFFERING in Lacy Lovelies

PARTY DRESS (Muhlestein '51) ML-34" Delightful. Most ruffled and laced of all the Flamingo Pinks. Makes one think of a little girl's frilly party dress. One of best parents for tangerine-bearded pinks. Fertile both ways; offspring remarkably fine. Has a long tangerine beard, yields highly colorful and varied beards in its offspring. Every hybridizer should have this. AM'54 [(Lancaster x D. Hall's 42-10) X Sister to Pink Formal]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

QUEEN'S LACE (Muhlestein '55) M-L-34" See my color photo. A personal favorite of mine, and one that approaches the ultimate in floral beauty. Cream standards with snow-white falls, edged in heavy cream lace. The lacing is so heavy that it is probably not surpassed by any other Iris to date. Much sought; everyone seems to want it to dress up his garden, and for breeding. You can't go wrong on this! Pollen plentiful. Pollen parent of Lace Flounces. JC'56; AM'57. [Clara B X (Gold Ruffles x Chantilly)]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$4.75**

RUFFLED APACHE (Wallace '54) ML-36" The lacy appearance is so striking, the color so new for a lacy-edged variety, it always makes the visitors stop and exclaim in admiration. Standards soft bronzy amber, beautifully arched and closed. Falls rosy crimson with lacy bronze edging. Beard bright yellow, large and conspicuous. So outstanding it was shown on front cover of Jan. 1955 A.I.S. Bul. Sometimes has a spread of up to 8". See in natural color on opposite page. Fertile both ways. Pollen parent of my Horned Lace & my Sierra Sunset for '62. You need this one! Rhizomes small. HM'54; JC'55..... Regularly \$4.50; on \$15 order **\$2.95**

"I liked Ruffled Apache very much. From the one rhizome you sent me, I had three stalks of bloom. I think that very good for first year after planting." Mrs. Joe A. Benesh, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

RUFFLED GEM (Muhlestein '51) ML-36" Iridescent pinkish-buff becoming light yellow in center of falls. Petals edged with heavy Chantilly-lace. Lots of pollen. [Midwest Gem X Sib to Dream Girl].. Reg. \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50**

RUTH — Simply stunning. The most ruffly and crinkly yellow ever seen. Bright and gay, order today!..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **\$1.00**

SUGARPLUM (Corey '53) M-36" See life-like Ektachrome. Edges of petals are crimped and lacy. A soft, creamy lilac-pink with light yellow haft & yellow beard. Form flaring & substance very heavy. Known to be a fine breeder; should make a wonderful parent to bring lacing into the flamingo pink line. Demand far exceeds available stock, so order early. HM'55 [Chantilly X (Daybreak x Midwest Gem)]..... Reg. \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$2.00**

SUNNYDALE (Schreiner '59) EM-33" A frosty, sparkling, ethereal rendition of the Limelight motif in a larger, lighter version. Seems sheer as an apparition, fragile & membranous as a butterfly's wing, yet of good weather-resistant substance. Cool lemon coloring deepens at hafts, lightens to ivory in middle of falls which are sharply & delightfully edged in yellow lace. [From New Snow & Sdgs.]..... Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$7.10**

TRULY YOURS — The Dykes-winning Lacy Lovely, page 31.



ROSE DELIGHT—Irresistible

VISITORS' FAVORITE

Each year I select the Iris best liked and most talked about by the many visitors to our garden. In '60 **ROSE DELIGHT** caught the eye of more people than any other. So I photographed it in color so my many distant friends, who cannot visit the garden, can see why it was so much admired.

ROSE DELIGHT (Austin '57) EM-40" One of the best known examples of a red-bearded Flamingo having a delightful lacy edge to the petals. Attractive bright fuchsia-pink characterized by falls with pale yellow hafts decorated with soft golden brown veins. Standards nicely cupped & closed. Falls semi-flaring, held stiffly in position by very good substance. Good pollen. [Cloudcap X Courtier].. Reg. \$5.00; on \$15 order **2 for \$5.00**

SUPER BUY
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TWENTY GRAND (Norton '53) M-36" A lovely blend of canary yellow, orchid & tango. Petals beautifully ruffled and edged in Chantilly lace. Beard orange. A marvelous breeder that has already yielded the award-winning Butterscotch Kiss & Caribou Trail. [Chantilly X Rainbow Room]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35**

WHIR OF LACE (Schreiner '58) M-35" Here is the whitest of all lacy lovelies, with perfection of beauty, crystalline purity & exquisite charm. In keeping with its name, it is as ethereal as gossamer; as lacy as a bridal veil, & as snowy as an angel's wing. Indeed, we have here a gem for the ultra-connoisseur. [(Sdlg. x New Snow) X D. Hall Sdlg.]..... Regularly \$12.00; on \$20 order **\$11.40**

YESTERYEAR (Branch '56) M-37" A delightful pinkish-flesh blend with falls as flaring as the costume of a ballet dancer. Petals beautifully and heavily ruffled; falls with a pleasing lacy edge. Long lasting substance & excellent branching. Sets seed readily. Seedparent of Lavendula. HM'56 [(Harriet Thoreau x D. Hall 4539) X (Hall 4405 x Radiation) x sib)]... Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**

MY FAVORITE LACE—SPECIAL No. 20 — Explained on p. 2. I'll make up for you amazingly generous assortments of my personal LACY favorites for..... **\$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00 or \$50.00**

BEGINNER'S LACE — SPECIAL No. 21 — Any 5 of these 6: Chantilly, Lacy Orchid, Party Dress, Ruffled Gem, Twenty Grand, Yesteryear. for **\$6.25; all 6 for \$7.25**



SUGARPLUM

CHANTILLY

COLOSSAL IRIS

Two Pages of World's Largest Iris for Sensational Features in **YOUR Garden**

For MAY-JUNE Bloom

I do not want to over-emphasize size alone, as Iris must have other good qualities as well. Nevertheless, I notice the "gasps" that stop visitors in their tracks, and immediately bring forth exclamations of surprise and wonderment, are nearly always gigantic affairs surpassing anything ever seen before. So if you want your garden to be a mecca for miles around, plant a few of these magnificent new creations, scattered here & there thruout your garden. Then at blooming time sit back & watch how quickly your visitors find all of these special Iris, & beat trails to them.

¶ Another suggestion: Devote a special portion of your garden to these largest & most spectacular Iris the world has ever seen. Choose a hidden corner or a prominent position near the entrance—in either case your visitors will soon find them, for nothing else will draw them so magnetically & hold their attention for so long. Try it & see for yourself!

¶ I have searched the world for the largest Iris. Now I can offer good examples of these mammoth Iris in all colors & in all price classes. Year of introduction ranges from 1938 to 1959. The old varieties are, of course, not equal to the recent introductions, but they will provide plenty of excitement for the beginner until he can advance to the new super-giants.

★ **APRIL SHOWERS** (Craig '54) M-38" A fancy plicata. Flowers large, frequently simply gigantic. Standards light yellow; falls silvery sunlight yellow, brushing of white & lilac in center. Sets seed with Oncobred & Tall Bearded pollen. Shows double dose of re-blooming blood — Tiffany & Joseph's Mantle. Pollen parent of 2 of my '61 Autumn introductions, Fall Sunshine & Gold of Autumn. [(Mariposa Mia x (Tiffany x Los Angeles) x Belle Brunette)] X Joseph's Mantle] Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

BROADRIPPLE (Buss '52) M-36" Heralded as "World's largest Iris." Impressive for substance & form. Nobly proportioned with falls fully 3¼" across center & 2" at haft. A lovely self, colored in soft aster-blue. Good branching & plenty of strength to support these huge blooms. Pollen viable, sets seed readily. [Violet Symphony X Vista Veronica] Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$1.65**

BY-LINE (DeForest '54) M-40" A sensational colorful yellow plicata. Among largest of Iris; standards soft burgundy red, creamy flush in center; falls bright yellow with wide border stippled dark burgundy red. Beard yellowish-orange with tiny black signal line. [(Tiffanja x Firecracker) X Rodeo] Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35**

CAROLINE JANE (DeForest '51) M-38" Flowers enormous. Glistening white ground has a beautiful pattern of delicate blue markings. Wide standards & falls; falls flaring, ruffled. A favorite wherever grown. Comes from Tiffany & occasionally re-blooms in fall. HM'51; AM'55 [(Her Grace x Tiffany) X New Hope] Reg. \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.35**

FEATURE OFFERING in Colossal Iris

CLOUDCAP (DeForest '50) EM-40" Reports from six states all agree this is largest, tallest & one of the best tangerine-bearded pinks. Giant blooms will often measure up to 7 inches. A delectable, slightly ruffled blossom pink, with wide closed standards & broad falls with an enormous tangerine-red beard. Remarkable seed setter. Pollen abundant, very fertile. Finest Flamingo seedparent I ever used. Seedparent for 3 of my introductions, Flaming Gold, Tangerine Snow & Rose Delight—a yellow, a pure white & a raspberry-pink, all with tangerine beards. HM'51; AM'53 [SQ72 X 6-44] See Ektachrome Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85**

CLOUDCAP — Largest of all Flamingo Pinks — \$1.50



GIANT ROSE—Breathtakingly beautiful!

★★★★★★★★★ Colossal STAR PERFORMER ★★★★★★★★★

THIS ONE TOPS THEM ALL—See it in life-like color above

GIANT ROSE (Schreiner '59) ML-40" Nowhere else in the world will you find an iris equal to Giant Rose in size. This is a Ripley Believe-It-or-Not Iris if there ever was one. The dimensions are so incredible that I almost hesitate to mention them for fear people will say that Iris just can't be that big, but several flowers have been measured that actually ran from 11 to 11½ inches from top to bottom! If you want an Iris that is absolutely certain to be a conversation piece, you need look no further; this is it. My crystal ball permits me to look a few years into the future and I see people gathering wherever this unprecedented flower opens its blooms. Standards bright orchid pink, falls vibrant fuchsia-rose. These huge flowers have a starchy substance, a jaunty classic form, considerable ruffling and a sparkling sheen. The stems are an inch thick and have superb candelabrum branching. Plant Patent applied for and no wonder! Be among first to display this marvel of Iris world. Pollen fertile, giving me several fat seedpods last year. [Pathfinder X Opal Beauty].

★★★★★★★★★ **\$15.00 each** ★★★★★★★★★

★ **CHAMOIS** (Kleinsorge '44) M-34" Immense, pure chamois self glistening with myriads of frosty particles. Reg. \$1.00; on \$15 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**

★ **COLOSSAL** (Marx '46) E-32" Gigantic 7" flowers in smooth deep lavender. Fragrant. [William Mohr X El Capitan] Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40; 10 for \$6.25**

EVENGLOW M-36" Largest lavender—so large it will astound you, often 7½" across, 6" high. A lovely lobelia violet with a rosy cast; well tailored, unsurpassed substance. . Reg. \$1.00; on \$15 order **85c**

FORTUNE'S GIFT (Mitch '55) M-40" See Ektachrome. Tremendous blooms measure 7" across and 7" high. Leathery falls are 3½" across, with wide hafts. A smooth brown self with a faint reddish glow. Beard golden-bronze, often ending in a slight crest. A hybridizer's masterpiece. Particularly significant since brown flowers hardly exist in nature, yet are a superb addition to the rainbow of Iris colors. Pollen plentiful. HM'56; JC'57 [Cordovan X Inca Chief] Reg. \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.75; 3 for \$7.85**

GENEROUS—A super-size Re-Bloomer. See Autumns, starting on page 7.

GIANT MOHR (Austin '58) M-44" See Ektachrome. At last an improved version of the renowned WILLIAM MOHR, much larger, grows on stalks twice as tall. Best of all for the hybridizer, has abundant pollen. Picture shows form & veining much like WILLIAM MOHR; color is similar, too, being a deep manganese violet. Largest & one of the tallest of Mohr hybrids in existence today. Gigantic flowers usually a full 8 inches high, stalks regularly reach 44", remarkable for any Oncobred. Imagine how a flower like this can help in your breeding work with ordinary Oncobreds. A fast increaser, a very heavy bloomer. Visitors go wild over its size & great height, & several even ordered three. Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **2 for \$7.50**

GRAND TETON (DeForest '56) M-38" Largest yellow ever created. Took my breath away when it burst into bloom last spring. Flowers measure 7 to 8 inches, falls frequently 4 inches wide. Prevented from being coarse by very wide ruffled petals with excellent substance, lasting a day or two longer than usual. A near self in wax yellow with a faint wash of chartreuse. Very attractive, a fine grower. Stalks tall with 3 well spaced branches. Reported from several parts of country as largest Iris grown. JC'58; RU-AM'60 [Sib. to Honor Bright X Cloudcap] . . Reg. \$9.00; on \$15 order **\$5.95; 3 for \$15.15**

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2 FOR PRICE OF 1



GIANT MOHR—*Epical*—\$7.50

GOLDEN GARLAND (Hall '57) L-42" Imagine, if you can, a veritable giant with both standards & falls delightfully edged in lace. Resembles the ever-popular Truly Yours, but is superior in stalks, form & color contrast. Standards golden yellow; falls almost white, bordered with yellow lace. A real traffic stopper for your garden. **JC'58; AM'59** [50-33 X Palomino].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$4.75**

GOLDEN RUSSET M-38" Simply enormous, often 7" high, falls 9" across when spread out. Buds 6" long, like huge cigars. A beauty in light golden russet. Able to resist rain and wind. Very fragrant. **HM'47; AM'52**.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40; 10 for \$5.00**

MOHRNING HAZE (Luihn '59) EM-33" A famous Oncobred I have placed in my group of Colossals because of its gigantic size. Both falls & standards measure 4" across, making a flower to simply bowl you over. Favorably reported on in different Bulletins, often with comment that its best feature is its long blooming period, starting with early Oncobreds, ending with last of Tall Bearded. A greyed lavender-blue, with a blue beard & some of the blue spilling over onto falls, & suggesting a signal patch. Destined for great popularity. **HM'59** [Snow Flurry X Capitola]....Reg. \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$28.35**



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LOVER'S MOON (Porreca '59) ML-33" It is attracting a great deal of attention on account of its immense size and beautiful appearance. A clear lemon self even to the beard. Buds are so large as to be spectacular. An absolute crowd-stopper. [Amandine X Sdlg.]....Regularly \$17.50; on \$25 order **\$16.60**

★ **MARY McCLELLAN** (Craig '52) M-48" With the exception of Giant Mohr, this is probably the largest Oncobred in existence. It is a mammoth vibrant deep violet-blue, flowering on stalks that reach up to 45 to 50 inches. Splendid four-way branching. Pollen plentiful. Pollen parent of 3 new dandies: **Steeplechase, Bob's Blue & Blue Silhouette**. So outstanding it won **C. White Mem. Award '59** [Blue Ox X Chivalry].....Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.25**

MR. MOON (Weed '55) EM-52" Yes, Mr. Moon reaches for his namesake and in so doing sometimes attains a height of 62 inches, making this and the Oncobred Sespe the 2 tallest Iris in our garden. Simply wonderful for tall background plantings. A ruffled clear white with soft yellow beard, huge in size and quite sensational. [Snow Flurry X National White].....Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$1.65**

★ **PATHFINDER** (Whiting '48) ML-36" In my opinion, the finest Colossal Iris available at this low price, both for size & beauty of its flowers & for its great potentiality in breeding. A huge pink with round, very wide petals, leathery substance & wide hafts. Glistening sheen; very prolific of bloom & increase. Mrs. Whiting said it was most talked of seedling in her garden. Few Iris anywhere have such a record of noteworthy descendants, among which are these: **Flounced Premiere '61, Giant Rose, Top Favorite, Quivering Flame, Orient Pink, & Pink Clover**. No breeder of Pinks, Colossals, or Flounced Iris should pass up this one! **HM'48** [Mirabelle X Angelus]....Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.40; 10 for \$7.50**

SNOW GODDESS (Becherer '55) EM-38" See **Ektachrome**. A favorite of mine. Best of the white seedlings from Snow Flurry. Massive heavily ruffled flowers with white petals & a yellow beard. Stalks widely branched with perfect flower placement. Won coveted **Award of Merit** in '58. Very much like wonderful '59 Dykes Iris Swan Ballet. I personally prefer **SNOW GODDESS**, which is much more plentiful, so price is more moderate. A vigorous husky grower, will be the pride of your entire garden. I can give it my highest recommendation. Not only are flowers gigantic, wide-spreading, but usually by late summer the rhizomes, too, are simply huge. Finest Iris among either Colossals or Tall Bearded with a **strong re-blooming tendency**—sometimes 60% will re-bloom in late fall or winter. **AM'58** [Snow Flurry X White Goddess].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.75**

SOLID GOLD (Kleinsorge '51) ML-36" Huge in size and deepest, most intensive yellow imaginable; remarkably fade-proof and lasting. A superb parent. **AM'53**.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **95c**

SPRING SUNSHINE EM-48" Tallest of colossal yellows. A plant of this in your garden will be the sensation of your entire neighborhood. A pleasing lemon-cream. Edges of petals prettily serrated. Yields fertile pollen. Unexcelled for adding size in all color classes. **Foliage nearly evergreen**. **HM'47**.....Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.50**

TOP FAVORITE (Schreiner '57) ML-38" Before the arrival of Giant Rose, this was probably the largest pink Iris in existence. A magnificent and refreshing orchid-pink that is perfection itself in form and in its extremely heavy substance. Possesses a **scintillating star-dust sheen** that gives it an exquisite ethereal quality beyond description. This will be the pride and joy of your collection. **RU-JC'58** [Pink Plume X Pathfinder].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$11.25**

WITCH DOCTOR (Plough '55) E to L-28" A new giant that will be an eye-stopper in any garden for it is like an improved **Conquest**. Standards blue-lavender with buffy-tan midrib. Falls from center down are grayed-blue-lavender with buffy-tan haft and heart. Beard yellow, blue at tip. Starts early and blooms for a long season in the spring, & occasionally repeats in the summer. **HM'56; JC'57; '60 C. White Award**. [W-1 Cream Sdlg. X Capitola]...Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$1.65**

ZANTHA — Huge clear brilliant yellow. Won President's Cup in '47.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **95c**

MY FAVORITE COLOSSALS — **SPECIAL No. 16** explained on page 2. I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous assortments of my personal favorites in the Colossals for.....**\$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00, \$50.00 or \$100.00**

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1. All who order at least \$20.00 worth of Re-Bloomers can qualify, if desired, as a TESTER, and get yellow-signalled Re-Bloomers at 2 for the price of 1. See page 3.
2. On any \$20.00 order you get ANY TWO of the above Class A Premiums; or, if you prefer, you may have instead ANY ONE of these newer and more expensive CLASS B PREMIUMS, values to \$5.00: Summer: August Indian; Autumns: Beau Catcher, Champagne Velvet; Colossals: Broadripple, Fortune's Gift; Horned: Horned Papa, Horned Ruby-falls; Novelty: Cuba Libre; Tangerine Bearded: Benton Cordelia, Bright Fuchsia, Dawn Pink, Mary Randall, Miss Utah, Orange Creamo; Tall Bearded: Bold Contrast, Enchanted Pearl, Jan Hess, Mission Starlite, Only This, Rare Gold, Sable Night; Oncobred: Nomohr.

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2. By raising your order only \$5.00, from \$20.00 to \$25.00, you may have ANY TWO Premiums (instead of 1) in Class B above; OR 3 in Class A if you prefer; OR, you may have FREE any one of the following CLASS C PREMIUMS, which contain newly-born garden treasures valued up to \$10.00 each. It is in this class of recent masterpieces that I have placed a number of the most coveted varieties in all Irisdom. Colossal: Grand Teton; Green: Hot Mustard; Horned: Horned Skylark, Horned Tangerine, Plumed Delight; Laced: Lacy Lantern; Novelty: Clematiflora, Double Rose; Tangerine Bearded: Flaming Beard, Flirtation, Oriental Pearl; Tall Bearded: Butterhorn, Huntsman, Merry Lynn, Oyster Pearl, Pastel Supreme, Persian Robe, Ruth Couffer; Oncobred: Jallah Effendi.

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Here you get free ANY 3 from Classes B or C, OR 4 from Class A; OR ANY ONE of these 3 much-sought new ones, all in color: PINK UNICORN, SPOONED FANTOM or HORNED ROSYRED.

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ANY TWO of the 3 in red in group just above; OR and 4 from Class B or C; OR any 6 from Class A; OR EITHER of these superb 1961 Introductions: HORNED MYSTERY or SPOON OF GOLD.

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Any 4 of the 5 in red type in 2 classes just above; OR any 8 from Class A, B and C; OR any 2 of these 3: SPOONED DELIGHT, PINK FULFILLMENT or BUTTERSCOTCH KISS.

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Any 6 of the 8 varieties in red in the 3 groups just above; OR any 15 from Class A, B and C; OR BOTH of these 1961 introductions, the 2 highest priced Iris in this catalog: FLOUNCED MARVEL and FLOUNCED LOVELINESS.

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Iris Lovers' SWEEPSTAKES

A GRAND PRIZE — This will consist of choice Iris regularly worth 3 times the total value of your order or orders before July 1, no matter how large the total may be.

TWO SECOND PRIZES — Each will consist of choice Iris regularly worth TWICE the total value of your order or orders before July 1.

THREE THIRD PRIZES — Each will consist of choice Iris regularly worth the same amount as the total value of your order or orders before July 1.

I have doubled the number of prizes & materially increased the value of the top one. So now you have twice as much chance of winning a much larger prize. Winners may be anywhere in the world. Last year one was in England. See list of winners, page 24.

TO ENTER: All who order to the amount of \$7.50 or more, and pay for their order or orders before July 1, 1961, may enter by merely filling out the form at the bottom of either order blank, and sending on back of coupon the name and address of a flower-loving friend to whom you have personally shown (or will show soon) the full-color pictures and the heavily discounted prices in this IRIS COLOR GUIDEBOOK. Quite obviously, to be helpful to me, the friend must be one who does not have this GUIDEBOOK. Now, if you order again before July 1, you may enter again and double your chances of winning. Or, if a single order overflows onto the second order blank, you may send 2 names, fill out the Sweepstakes coupon on both order blanks, and use on each coupon the total of your order on both pages. See what opportunities I have provided to help you win! The rest is up to you. More order blanks available on request, for you or your friends.

DRAWING will be on July 15, 1961, and will be conducted by ElDorado County Chamber of Commerce in Placerville. The 6 lucky winners will be notified by AIR MAIL and will be listed in my 1962 catalog.

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Premiums are free only if written on your order. If you forget to do so on your first order you may make it up on any of your later orders.

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UNICORN (Austin '54) World's first horned Iris. Much in demand for excitement-causing plantings and for breeding to get new horned, spooned & even flounced Iris. Listed with other horned Iris on page 15. Available this year only free on request, with orders as small as \$15.00—if you order within 15 days. Now EVERYONE can have a horned Iris.

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When you send a 2nd 1961 order (before Sept. 10) you are then entitled, **ALTOGETHER**, to a total of Premiums due on the **SUM of your orders to date**. Thus, if you take a Class A Premium on your 1st order of \$15.00 or more, & then later send a second order of \$10.00 or more, you are entitled, altogether, to Premiums offered for a \$25.00 order. A \$25.00 order allows you 3 Class A Premiums, & since you have had one, you get 2 more on just this \$10.00 order, which by itself would not be entitled to any.

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It's EASY to Order BY MAIL

See Page 2 for Ordering Information

It's easy to list varieties & their prices on my handy order blank & mail in pink envelope I supply. Please enclose remittance with your order. I accept personal checks or postal or express money orders made out to Rainbow Gardens. Currency is OK on small orders. No C. O. D.'s please. I acknowledge order when received, unless to be shipped soon.

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SHIPPING DATES. Orders received from April to July are shipped out in the order received during July & early Aug. Later orders usually go out within a few days of the day they are received during Aug. & Sept. My very low 1961 catalog Sale prices & generous free Premiums are based on digging & shipping orders in large batches in this sequence. A special shipping date (between July 1 and Oct. 1) for an individual order necessitates that it be dug & shipped separately, at a much higher cost. So if circumstances require that your Iris be sent at a special date, please add 10% to your remittance & we will handle your order individually. Catalog orders postmarked after Sept. 10 will be filled at start of next shipping season, in early July. No shipments of Iris made during winter or spring, but manuals, kits, germination stimulant, etc., will be sent at any time desired.

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"RACE OF IRIS" Column

It is a big help in filling your order if you mark RACE of Iris for each variety on your order, tho not necessary if you do not have time. Easiest way is to use these abbreviations: A = Autumn Bloomer; C = Colossal; D = Dwarf; F = Flat; G = Green; H = Horned, Spooned & Flounced; L = Laced; M = Median (including Border, Intermediate, Lilliput & Table Iris); N = Novelty; Ob = Oncobred; S = Summer Bloomer; T = Tall Bearded (not including separate races); Tg = Tangerine-Bearded; W = Winter Bloomer.

GUARANTEE

I GUARANTEE all plants true to name, of first quality & size, freshly dug, free from pests, & in good condition when they reach you. If for any reason you are not completely satisfied, please notify me within 10 days of receipt of stock.

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Due to exceptional cleanness of our stock, and absence of serious pests, Rainbow Gardens has been certified by Calif. Dept. of Agr. as a Pinto Tag nursery. This means each of our Iris shipments to California bears official state green and pink Pinto tag, certifying that in nearly all California cities the usual holding of nursery stock for inspection by local Agricultural Commissioner is NOT required. Hence you get quicker delivery and fresher stock. People everywhere order with confidence from a Pinto Tag nursery.

FINANCIAL REFERENCES: Dun & Bradstreet; Bank of America, Placerville, California.

MEMBER—Iris Societies: American, British, Australian, New Eng., Utah, Reg. 14, Sacramento, Aril, Median and Dwarf; El Dorado County Chamber of Commerce.

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(Collections and Special Offers are available on orders of any size)

- ☐ My order is **under \$10.00** so I am adding 50c to help with packing and postage costs.
- ☐ My payment is **under \$15.00** so I am using all Regular prices (given first in light type), except for Collections, Special Offers, & Close-Outs.
- ☐ My payment is **\$15 or over** so I am using your wonderful DISCOUNTED Sale prices thruout the CATALOG-GUIDEBOOK. (See page 20.)
- ☐ My payment is **\$15.00 or over** so I am listing above the PREMIUM, or PREMIUMS, I would like. (See "PREMIUMS" on page 20.)

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please add 4% tax
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Leave this coupon attached to your order—All orders of \$7.50 or more are eligible

Enter my name in your **IRIS LOVERS' SWEEPSTAKES CONTEST** (See simple rules on page 20.)

I am giving my flower-loving friend's name and full address on the back of this coupon. (Contest closes June 30.)

Print Your Name _____

St. or Rt. _____

City _____

Zone _____

State _____

Value of order: \$ _____

I understand if I win I may get up to 3 times this value in FREE Iris as explained on page 20.

For BEGINNERS & Busy People – To Surprise Your Friends, With Iris Blooming At Various Seasons of the Year, Order One of These EASY-DOES-IT Half-Price Collections

The ultimate in quick, easy ordering for many who love flowers & want Iris in a gorgeous assortment of rainbow colors, but do not have time to work out which of my 700 varieties to order. Why not let me work it out for you, according to your personal instructions checked off below? Two cheaper units will be all relatively inexpensive varieties, as many as possible for the money. But in 3 larger groups I will include a wide assortment of price classes, featuring a number of wonderful new creations. I can recommend the \$25.00 group very highly. In all these collections you get Iris worth at least TWICE what you pay. All are postpaid.

First, merely check off below how much you want to spend to bring glorious new beauty and color to your garden. \$5.00; \$10.00; \$25.00; \$50.00; \$100.00

Now, check ONE of the 4 boxes to show blooming seasons you desire. Do not specify varieties or races. To offer these at half-price, they are necessarily standardized for best possible values for the money, & are handled en masse.

- I want bloom in all 4 seasons of the year. (Best for mild climates.)
- I want bloom in Spring, Summer and Early Fall. (Best for cold climates.)
- I want all 2-Season Iris that bloom in Spring & again in Summer or Fall. (Summer & Autumn Re-Bloomers)
- I want all Tall Bearded Iris, so bloom will be concentrated in mid Spring, and all flowers will be large or giant size.

Shipment of orders containing Easy-Does-It usually starts in mid or late July, and not later than early August.

Why The BETTER Varieties Are Your Best Buy

It is gratifying to find that Iris lovers everywhere are awakening to the realization that, with a rapidly increasing plant like an Iris, they are much farther ahead to buy each year a smaller number of the better varieties than many rhizomes of the older kinds that have such limited appeal. People find more excitement in one of the new Super-Iris than in a dozen of the varieties that were popular in bygone days, and which they will soon be eager to throw out to make room for ones they can really enjoy. Therefore, to make your Iris dollars go the farthest, spend them for varieties you will want to keep.

MOVING?

Don't forget to notify me of your new address. But be sure to give the old address, too. Hundreds of catalogs are returned to me every year because people forget to notify me of the change in their address.

NOW Is The Time

If there are any varieties that you especially desire you should order them THIS year. Don't wait and expect to get them next year. Frequently these extra choice items sell out completely, and I have to leave them out of the catalog for several years until I build back my stocks.

SUBSTITUTIONS ON FREE IRIS

Throughout this catalog, or elsewhere, whenever I offer Iris free as a Premium, Gift, Bonus, etc. it is understood that if free variety you request is SOLD OUT when your order arrives, I reserve the right to substitute other free Iris of the same or greater value. Order NOW & avoid Sold Outs. Most kinds are plentiful early in the season.

QUANTITY PRICES

Greatly reduced quantity prices are available to all who use Iris in quantity, as Garden Clubs, Planters of Estates, Roadsides and Parks; Landscapers; Nurseries, etc. Outline your requirements, or submit for a special quotation a list of varieties and quantities needed.

MY GIFT ORDER SERVICE

FOR BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, MOTHER'S DAY, FATHER'S DAY and OTHER SPECIAL OCCASIONS

Unlike other gifts you might send to express your sentiments, those for the garden grow and increase, becoming ever more beautiful with the passing of years. So when you are wondering what to give gardening friends, why not take advantage of my helpful GIFT ORDER SERVICE. Note simple instructions at top of order blank. Gift Iris serve for years as reminders of your thoughtfulness. Please note that shipment is only in summer and early fall. I furnish gift card unless you wish to supply your own. One of easiest and most satisfactory ways to select for a gift order is to check off, above, an EASY-DOES-IT Collection. I'll send kinds that should do well where your friend lives.

WILL MY 1962 CATALOG BE DIFFERENT?

Yes, indeed! One way for YOU to judge is to compare this 1961 edition with my 1960 edition and note the vast amount of new information, new varieties and new pictures galore. For 1962 I am planning many further advancements that you won't want to miss. I usually add from 50 to 100 new varieties to each yearly catalog. So you can see that there is lots in store for you. A 1961 order will insure that you will receive my 1962 Catalog-Guidebook automatically!

CANADIAN ORDERS

To import Iris into Canada advise your Dept. of Agr. at Ottawa that you wish to import Iris. Necessary permit will be sent you. Forward it to us with your order. I prepay postage to Canada, just as for U. S.

BRITISH and OTHER FOREIGN ORDERS

I ship many Iris to such distant places as South Africa, England, Australia, etc. Orders to all foreign countries, except Canada, subject to 10% postage and foreign handling charge. This covers such items as special packing, extra postage, office work of filling out various forms required. Minimum foreign order is \$15.00. Correspondence must be in English.

HOW TO OBTAIN BANK DRAFT: Restrictions removed in most of British Empire. Get Form E at your bank. Make out your order on pink order blank provided in catalog; present this at your bank as your invoice so you can purchase bank draft payable thru Placerville Branch Bank of America. Send order and bank draft directly to us—or, if your bank prefers to mail the draft, please be sure your name appears on the papers accompanying the draft; then send us your order, advising when payment was arranged. To understand U. S. prices British people only need to know that our \$1.00 is about equal to your 7/1.

Iris Lovers' SWEEPSTAKES - (1st Coupon)

(See page 20 for announcement of contest. Closes June 30)

Fill in the coupon on reverse side so your name will be there when drawing is made on July 15, 1961. If you are one of the 6 fortunate winners you will receive at once a long list of 100 or more currently available varieties, in practically all types of Iris, from which to make up your big FREE ORDER of Iris that may be worth up to 3 times the total value of the order, or orders, that you have paid for, up to June 30. What a joyous order that will be to make out! May YOU be one of the lucky winners. Be sure to fill out below so your entry will qualify.

Friend's name (Friend who does not have this GUIDEBOOK and to whom I have shown this copy; or will do so soon.)

St. or RFD City Zone State

CLOSE-OUT BARGAINS FOR BEGINNERS

AVAILABLE POSTPAID AT CLOSE-OUT PRICES ON ALL ORDERS OF \$7.50 OR MORE Heaviest Savings Here—Discounts Up to 50% Off of the Lower 1961 Prices

I find I have too many varieties, so this is your rare opportunity. I am, this year closing out on the following Iris, many of which were topnotchers only a few years back. None of these are offered elsewhere in this catalog. Note they are available in a wide range of striking rainbow colors. For heights and blooming times of the different types of Iris, see charts on pages 2 and 43. All varieties in this offer are priced WAY DOWN to insure a complete close-out of all kinds by summer or fall. At these close-out prices you get NEW Iris at beginner's prices. Better order NOW, and by AIR MAIL as this is your LAST CHANCE to get these varieties—next week may be too late on some kinds. Abbreviations for season explained on page 24.

On these Close-outs I reserve the right to substitute with other Iris of equal value when supply is finally exhausted.

Close-Out Prices applicable only on orders of \$7.50 or more

If you order any 15 or more of the varieties below you may select ANY ONE other Close-Out Iris up to \$2.50 Regular Price that is not marked * as a free EXTRA. If you order 20 Close-Out varieties you may have any one \$3.00 to \$6.00 Close-Out as your free EXTRA. This is in addition to what you get on page 20, according to size of order.

* = Stocks very limited; best to give an alternative in case supply is exhausted when your order arrives.

GREENS

Season abbreviation follows name	Regular Price	Close Out
Color Magic, M Buff-tan color changer.....	\$4.00	\$2.00
*Tranquility, ML Lovely greenish white.....	1.00	.80

LACEY LOVELIES

*Gala, EM Lacy blend peach, yellow, pink.....	1.25	1.00
Gracelle, EML Lacy blend, pink & lavender.....	4.00	2.00

TANGERINE-BEARDED

Benton Oberon, ML Fuchsia, brilliant red beard..	3.00	1.50
*Firebird, ML Hollyhock red & aster purple.....	2.75	2.20
Pink Cameo, E Salmon pink, tangerine beard....	1.00	.70
Pink Tower, EM Tallest of Flamingos; fertile....	1.25	.80
Pretty Pink, M Rose pink, deep pink beard.....	2.50	1.25

TALL BEARDED

Big Time, M Immense bronzy red; fertile.....	1.25	.80
*Big Ute, M Large rich red blend; classic.....	2.00	1.60
*Black Ruby, M Velvety crimson-black.....	1.00	.70
Bold Adventure, ML Immense bold black, tall....	3.00	1.80
Caramel, M In rich butter caramel tones.....	2.50	1.25
Carissima, M Heavily ruffled pure white.....	5.00	2.50
Celestial Blue, M Ruffled clear light blue.....	2.50	1.25
Centennial Queen, M Ruffled deep copper & rose	2.00	1.20
*Copper Medallion, M Stunning reddish-copper...	1.00	.70
Coronation Red, ML Glowing oxblood red bitone.	2.00	1.00
Crispette, EM Orchid colored masterpiece.....	2.50	1.25
Exotic, M Large, brilliant tan-rose.....	1.50	.85
Front Page, M Brilliant red-gold, white patch....	2.50	1.25
*Golden Hawk, M Velvety primrose yellow.....	5.00	3.95
Golden Symphony, VL Lovely late yellow bicolor.	1.00	.70
*Helen McKenzie, M Magnificent pure white....	1.50	1.05
*Kezar Lake, M Clear medium-blue, lovely.....	1.50	1.05
Lady Ilse, ML Superb ruffled powder blue.....	1.75	.95
Las Floristas, EL Novel fancy in red & brown....	2.25	1.10
Lights On, EM Fragrant rich red, glowing.....	1.25	.85
*Maid of Cotton, EM Popular pure white, fine....	1.50	1.05
Mexiglow, M Copper with violet flush.....	1.75	1.05
Moulin Rouge, ML Dark crimson red, almost black	2.00	1.20
Mission Starlite, M Ruffled, non-fading blue....	3.30	1.75
New Love, M Large creamy white self.....	3.50	1.75
Oriental Glory, M Rich mahogany red & brown..	1.00	.70
Quechee, M Handsome flaring garnet-red self....	1.00	.70
Rare Gold, ML Top flight very bright yellow....	4.00	2.00
Right Royal, ML Stunning rose red.....	2.50	1.50
Rose Veil, M White plicata with heliotrope.....	2.50	1.25
Royal Scot, M Heavily red-trimmed plicata.....	1.25	.80
Shiloh, L Bright clean blue bitone.....	3.00	1.50
Solar Maid, L Rich dandelion yellow.....	2.00	1.00
Spring Romance EM Tall non-fading cream white	1.00	.70
Starfire, EM Yellow & White, very ruffled.....	5.00	2.50
Starlift, M Stately deep cornflower blue.....	2.00	1.20
*The Mad Hatter, ML Deepest of maroon reds....	1.50	1.05
Tiffany, M Yellow & red; parent of re-bloomers.	1.25	.80
Ultra Violet, EM Serenely beautiful violet.....	3.00	1.50
Vengeance, ML White plicata peppered lavender.	2.50	1.25
Wedding Bouquet, M Ruffled white, chartreuse buds	2.00	1.00
Welcome Guest, E-L Luscious yellow-gold.....	1.25	.80
Well Content, ML Blend salmon, pink, gold.....	1.75	.95

PREMIUMS on Your LATER ORDERS— Cont. from page 20

If your current budget will not allow you to get up where the Premiums are plentiful, you can order more from time to time, as your pay checks come in, and in the end get the FULL Premiums and other important benefits shown for larger orders. Whenever you ask for more Premiums on a later order than it alone is entitled to, be sure to mention what Premium you got on your first order, and what your payment was for that order.

If I run out of certain items, I reserve the right to substitute as your Premium, or EXTRA Premium, another variety in same or higher Premium Class, or of similar price.

RE-BLOOMERS

Season abbreviation follows name	Regular Price	Close Out
*Papoose, VE Fascinating dwarf, Indian colors...\$	.85	\$.60
*Smoothy, E Yellow re-blooming dwarf.....	.85	.65

DWARFS

Gay Lassie, VE White standards, yellow falls....	1.50	.85
Little Villian, E Black-violet; white beard.....	1.00	.70
Violet Night, VE Really deep violet self.....	1.00	.70

MEDIANS

Fairy Flo, Li Stunning deep violet blue.....	2.00	1.00
*Pearl Cup, Bo Dainty white, amethyst amoena...	2.00	1.40
Ruby Glow, I Velvety ruby red.....	.85	.60

ONCOBREDS

*Altamohr, L Well branched orchid violet.....	1.00	.70
Appian Way, EM Mohr type violet.....	6.00	3.00
Citrine, E Smoky chartreuse veined green.....	2.25	1.10
Golden Butterfly, E Lovely yellow Regeliabred...	1.25	.80
Heather Angel, EM Smooth heather purple.....	3.00	1.50
Lady Dozier, M Cobalt blue, heavy substance....	2.50	1.50
Mauve Dust, M Mauve, veined pansy violet.....	2.00	1.00
Mohresque, M Charming brown & yellowish buff.	1.50	.85
Mohrloff, M Lavender sprinkled over white.....	1.00	.70
Peach Sherbet, ML Apricot pink, tangerine beard	2.50	1.50
Puff, E Charming ruffled grey-blue.....	1.25	.80
Sikhmohr, M Showy rosy-red Mohr.....	3.50	1.75

CULTURE and HARDINESS

For all 20 Types of Bearded Iris

I now grow and offer only Bearded Iris and ALL of these are of the easiest culture. They will thrive in almost any garden bed. Select a well-drained spot that is at least partially sunny, and preferably in full sun. Well in advance of planting thoroughly mix in some well-rotted manure or complete commercial fertilizer. If soil is at all inclined to be soggy, plant on raised beds or ridges. Space the rhizomes 12" to 15" apart. Cover the rhizome (bulb-like portion) only about one-half inch but set the slender roots deeply and well spread out. Water thoroughly. Keep moderately moist at least until new growth starts. Best kept moderately moist all summer, but where summers are dry and water is scarce, all fully established Bearded Iris may be left dry all summer, as they are very drought-resistant.

Most varieties are hardy to winter cold. But in cold climates it is advisable to cover with one inch of dirt and mulch well with straw at least the first winter to prevent frost heaving. If you want the largest flowers, the tallest stalks and the most abundant bloom from well-established clumps be sure NOT to disturb your new plantings for at least three years. But when the clumps become overcrowded, dig them up in the summer and break apart, saving only the best of the young new rhizomes for replanting. I include with each order a full sheet of more complete cultural suggestions, including special care for re-bloomers to stimulate an abundant second blooming in the summer, fall or winter. Many additional suggestions in my Manual.

Fun With My SECRET VARIETY Game: "I love those secret varieties! As soon as the catalogue arrives, I start searching for them. No work gets done, everyone here has to fend for themselves for food, etc., until I find everyone." Cindy Erwin, Levittown, Pa.

Remember

Stocks won't last long at these Catalog-Wide Sale prices. So please place your order PROMPTLY and order everything you want before supplies of some kinds are exhausted. At these prices, THE MORE YOU ORDER, THE MORE YOU SAVE! See p. 20.

If this is a Gift Order, give YOUR OWN name and address above. See page 22

Please Use This Order Blank Order NOW Before Stocks are Depleted

RAINBOW Hybridizing GARDENS

PAGE of

Placerville, California, U. S. A.

Date Ordered, 1961

Ship to Please PRINT or write very clearly. Give your name as shown on catalog envelope.

Street or R.F.D.

City Zone State

If sold out of any variety may I substitute another fine Iris of equal or greater value? Yes

If you check "YES," you may add "Surprise Gift Iris" at bottom of your order

If not checked, we will assume substitutes are permissible, if necessary.

If you have moved, give former CITY STATE

RACE OF IRIS Optional - See under "RACE OF IRIS" heading, page 21 List below ALL Varieties wanted, including those in Collections. Please put only one item on each line, and fill in No. wanted

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Print Your Name St. or Rt.

City Zone State

Value of order: \$ I understand if I win I may get up to 3 times this value in FREE Iris as explained on page 2

For Your Later Order or for a Friend — FOLD, CREASE SHARPLY, THEN TEAR OR CUT OFF ALONG DOTTED LINE

SECRET VARIETY GAME

2 or 3 for Price of 1 For All Whose Order Payment is \$10.00 or more.

My most popular offer, partly because everyone can win, and partly because the cash savings mount up so rapidly as to be unbelievable. In this catalog, for you to find, are 22 hidden Secret Varieties, 5 hidden SUPER Secret Varieties, and 8 ANNOUNCED SUPER Secret Varieties, making a **TOTAL OF 35** kinds that you can get on this wonderful basis. Each hidden Secret Variety is easily identified by fact that one word (of 3 letters or more) in variety description has **only the last letter as a capital letter**. For example, the word "glitterING."

If you find some or all of the Secret Varieties & include any or all of them on your order, each followed by "S.V." you may list each at **two for the price of one**. As you will note all thru this catalog, the Regular Prices apply to all orders of \$14.99 or less. But if your order is **\$15.00 or more**, you get **2 for the discounted catalog SALE price of 1** on these Secret Varieties. You can either plant both for beauty & hybridizing, or go in with your neighbor & order two of each Secret Variety, so you will each have one at **what amounts to half price**, I do not send the extra rhizomes unless your order calls for 2. Also, note that this sensational offer of 2 for the price of 1 applies, obviously, **only where you pay the Regular or Catalog Sale Price for 1**, not to varieties secured in collections or free offers, such as the free Iris in my "Your Own Selection" offers.

5 HIDDEN SUPER SECRET VARIETIES (3 for 1)

I have found over the past several years that whenever my stocks will permit me to offer any **SUPER Secret Varieties**, my customers go wild with the excitement of finding these, because here is where you get: **3 for the Regular Price of 1** on orders of \$14.99 or less, & **3 for the discounted Catalog SALE price of 1** on orders of \$15.00 or more. You can save still further by going in with your friends on these; when the 3 Iris arrive, keep one & pass along the other 2. I have provided for YOU in this catalog 5 of these **SUPER Secret Varieties**: 1 My '61 Introduction in Spooned Iris, 1 Colossal & 3 Oncobreds. They range in discounted prices from \$2.75 to \$9.95. Each variety can be quickly & positively identified by the fact that its description contains **TWO** separate words, instead of one, each with a final capital letter—and the two final capitals are **always the same**. When you order these put "S.S.V." after name & enter "3" in "No." column.

CLUES TO HELP YOU FIND THE 27 HIDDEN SECRET AND SUPER SECRET VARIETIES

You'll have the time of your life finding all 27 of these hidden Secret Varieties. You'll be amazed at the exceedingly high caliber of the Iris you get, including many of most outstanding & popular Iris in entire Guidebook, to wit:

1. **AWARD WINNERS GALORE**—(Makes it easy & economical to bring your garden right up-to-date).
 - (a) A recent Dykes Winner & a '59 Dykes RU.
 - (b) 3 Award of Merit '59; 3 earlier AM's.
 - (c) 7 recent Honorable Mentions.
2. **8 Illustrated in FULL COLOR**. See what you get.
3. **No Re-Bloomers**—See page 3 for **TESTER** Offer in-stead.
4. At least 20 kinds eagerly sought by hybridizers.
5. **Catalog Sale prices to suit every pocketbook**:
 - (a) 6 with Catalog Sale Prices under \$2.00.
 - (b) 21 with Catalog Sale Prices under \$5.00.
 - (c) 5 very new ones, Catalog Sale Prices \$9.95 to \$35.00.
6. **Varied races of Iris**: 3 My '61 Introductions in Spooned & Flounced Iris, 2 Colossals, 2 Flats, 1 Horned, 1 Laced, 6 Tangerine Bearded, 6 Tall Bearded, 1 Median & 5 Oncobreds.

8 ANNOUNCED SUPER SECRET VARIETIES AVAILABLE AT 3 FOR PRICE OF 1

Paradoxical? Yes, but a real money-saver if there ever was one. Below are 8 much-sought Iris heralded & made known, yet it is a secret as to how they can be secured at **3 for the price of 1**. Just to make sure that YOU read all of my special offers and other helpful material in this Catalog-Guidebook, I have placed final capitals in sentences of the text that are **NOT variety descriptions**. In each of 6 such paragraphs there are **two secret words**, each with a final capital. The two final capitals in each pair are the same.

You will probably want the fun of finding them all, but so that you can get that order off to me pronto, before I run out of just the ones you want, I'm making it real easy for you this year. As soon as you have found any one of these 6 paragraphs, each with **two secret words**, you may order **ANY or ALL** of the following 8 varieties at **3 for the Regular Price of 1** on orders of \$14.99 or less, & **3 for the discounted Catalog SALE price of 1** on orders of \$15.00 or more. Here are the names of the 8 wonderful kinds you can get on this great offer: My '61 Introductions, page 44: **FABULOUS FRINGES**, **FLOUNCED PREMIERE**; Green, p. 25: **GREEN HAT**; Horned & Spooned, p. 14, 15: **PINK UNICORN**, **SPOONED FANTOM**; Oncobred, page 41: **KALIFA GULNARE**; Tangerine Bearded, p. 36 & 38: **FLAMING GOLD**, **PINK SYMPHONY**.

ORDER SECRET VARIETIES PROMPTLY as demand for these will be terrific. I must reserve right, if sold out, to send other Iris of equal value. **AIR MAIL** will help greatly in getting everything you want. See bottom of page 23.

You Need My RAINBOW IRIS MANUAL—\$1.25

I have brought together for you in concentrated form, a summary of my own experiences & those of many of my customers. To this has been added valuable information from well over 100 books, bulletins & articles on growing & hybridizing **ALL** types of Iris: Bearded, Beardless, Bulbous, etc. In this way you can have **practically everything you need to know, available in one place without extensive searching**. Included is material from two of most significant of all published works on Iris: W. R. Dykes' "Handbook of Garden Irises" & his monumental work "The Genus Iris."

The second half of this 44 page booklet covers all phases of **hybridizing** from planning your crosses to the techniques for pollinating, seed collection and seed sowing—for Tall Bearded Iris and also the many Unusual Iris. Among the many subjects covered are these: Varieties recommended as parents in breeding for 26 specific objectives; How to synchronize blooming periods; Chromosome numbers; Mendelian inheritance; Ways to increase your sets.

You Also Need My SUPPLEMENT to the Manual—50c

I—**PLANNING YOUR IRIS GARDEN**: Utilizing all types of Iris; harmonious color groupings.

II—**CULTURE OF ARILS**: Promising new cultural techniques.

III—**IRIS EXHIBITION**: How to stage an Iris show, exhibit Iris and win prizes.

IV—**IRIS HYBRIDIZING**: Speeding seed germination; best kinds for parents.

1960 SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS—Lucky People! Your name may be here next year.

Last year I sent out to these 6 winners **FREE** Iris having a total value of \$321.50. Better get **YOUR** name in the drawing this year. See how the prizes mount up with the larger orders. Winners may be anywhere in the world. Note one in **ENGLAND** below.

Grand Prize to: Joseph H. Fairbanks, 6926 Calle Ilco, Tucson, Arizona. Order \$17.38; free Iris sent to the value of \$53.00.

His letter: "I was certainly surprised and pleased to get your letter notifying me that I had won your sweepstakes. I am just a beginner in growing Iris and you can imagine what a great help this will be for my garden."

2 Second Prizes: Norman Duff, Well Lane, Mollington, Chester, **ENGLAND**. Order \$57.80; free Iris sent to the value of \$116.00. Also Mrs. Cecile P. Hansen, 4051 Joan Ave., Concord, California. Order \$47.27; free Iris sent to the value of \$95.00.

3 Third Prizes: Iris sent to the value of their orders: Mrs. Henry M. Haven, Rt 1, Bx 190-C, Byhalia, Mississippi, \$12.45; Clarice W. Barnes, Box 102, Loyalton, California, \$28.43; Geraldine Roberts, 75 W. Main St., Jackson, Ohio, \$15.00.

Iris Lovers' SWEEPSTAKES - (2nd Coupon)

(See also page 20 and back of 1st coupon. Contest closes June 30)

The second order blank and Sweepstakes Coupon on the front side of this sheet may be used as you prefer:

(1) **By you**, for a later order to build up total credited to you, and thus increase the size of your **FREE PRIZE ORDER** if you win. Mark it "Second Order" so you will be sure to get credit in contest for both orders.

(2) Second order blank and Sweepstakes Coupon may be sent in by a **friend or relative** with his or her order, and thus have this name, too, entered in my contest. **More order blanks with Sweepstakes Coupons sent on request.**

Friend's Name _____

(Friend who does not have this GUIDEBOOK and to whom I have shown this copy; or will do so soon.)

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Hybridizer's Column

Hybridizing Is Easy, Profitable, Lots of Fun

You'll live longer—and better—if you have an absorbing & profitable hobby that repeatedly, year after year, gives you something interesting and exciting to **look forward to**. I challenge anyone to suggest a hobby that will accomplish this as surely & effectively as does **Iris hybridizing**. Already thousands of my customers have tried it, & nearly all are **rapidly becoming enthusiastic amateur hybridizers**, almost overnight.

Get in now on this new hobby that can become really profitable. **Amateurs often produce world beaters**. New Iris may sell for up to \$100 per rhizome; introductory prices of \$20 to \$25 are common. Put your spare time in on this absorbing hobby and watch results. My yearly **GUIDEBOOKS** keep you right up to date.

To learn the vital flower parts see Ektachrome of **Rose Delight**, page 17. The 3 reddish beards have nothing to do with pollination. Above the center beard is the cream-colored **anther**, containing the pollen. Remove an anther from a flower of one variety, and rub the pollen grains onto the **top of the stigma** of the variety to be pollinated. Stigma is the curved lip just above anther. Many helpful details in my **MANUAL**.

My Exclusive HYBRIDIZER'S KIT

Anyone can start the fascinating hobby of Iris Hybridizing with ease with my exclusive **RAINBOW HYBRIDIZING KIT**. The most vital items are 2 special tweezers I had made to order for this purpose. The **Anther-collecting Tweezers** have special flat rounded points that permit collecting the anthers without injuring the delicate and vital style arms. The **Clamp-style Pollinating Tweezers** are designed to hold the anthers firmly and thus eliminate the strain of pollinating. The Kit also includes the following additional items: 36 Special Sliding Pollen Boxes; 100 Pollination Tags in four colors; 2 Weatherproof Pencils; 50 seed bags; 15 printed Record Cards; 1 copy of the leaflet "Technique for Iris Hybridization." Price postpaid **\$6.25; 2 for \$12.25**

MY GERMINATION STIMULANT

I have tried many ways of hastening the naturally slow germination of Iris seed, but none is as simple and effective as my **Rainbow Germination Stimulant**. My extensive, carefully-controlled tests have shown it will often double or quadruple the germination of seed of Bearded Iris in a short time—and the quicker you get your precious hybrid seeds to germinate, the sooner you will have bloom. See my **SUPPLEMENT** for detailed results with seed of different types of Iris. Exact quantity to make 1 quart of solution, with full directions for use. Orders for Stimulant unacceptable from California due to high license fee. **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.75; 10 for \$7.95**

KEY TO DATA TO HELP YOU SELECT AND PLAN

To help **Iris lovers & amateur hybridizers**, I give the following in my variety descriptions: originator, year of introduction, season of bloom, height in inches, description, awards, **parentage in square brackets**, price. Latest (1960) awards are in **red**.

I recommend particularly Iris recently honored by Awards of American Iris Society:

- Dykes — Dykes Memorial Medal. (Highest.)
- AM — Award of Merit. (Next to Highest.)
- HC — High Commendation.
- JC — Judge's Choice. (Best of the NEW ones.)
- Dykes RU and AM-RU — Runners-up.
- HM — Honorable Mention.

★ — **Choicest of inexpensive Iris** especially recommended for beginners.

Other symbols explained, pages 2, 3.

SEASON ABBREVIATIONS from earliest to latest spring: EE, VE, E, EM, M, ML, L, and VL. To avoid the customary short Tall Bearded season, be sure to choose early, midseason and late varieties in each of the colors of greatest interest to you. Since the majority of varieties bloom at midseason, or nearly, you will need to give special thought to provide your garden with a good assortment of both the early bloomers and the late ones.

"Can hardly wait for your next catalog to see what the new free Premium Iris will be." Mrs. Howard O. Wilson, Brownwood, Texas.

I am proud to display the "Shield of Quality" symbol of the National Mail Order Nurserymen's Association. You can buy with confidence where you see this shield.



You'll Want These
Fascinating
New Approaches To

GREEN

Everyone seems to want greens and more greens. I have been continually asked why I don't group the widely-scattered "greens" all together, so everyone can find them quickly. So this year I've done just that. The **Tall Bearded Greens** are all here together, on this page and the next. The green **Dwarfs** and **Medians** are in the green box on page 27; **Oncobred Greens** are in a green box on page 29. And, oh yes, the order blank is on page 21. None of these are bright leaf-green, as such Iris do not exist as yet. But they are very fascinating approaches to green from various directions. Same variety varies in coloring in different soils & climates, being greener in some than others. Even here flowers will be greener some springs than others, depending, perhaps, on varying amounts of sunlight & cosmic rays. Flower color is rarely constant; usually it changes & lightens as flower ages.

GREEN IVORY (Muhlestein '53) ML-36" Huge greenish-ivory self of very full wide proportions. One stalk makes a full bouquet. In demand by breeders of greens for crossing with such things as Char-Maize, Greenglow, Mint Julep. Better get started! [Desert Song X Sister to Greenglow]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.40**

***** Greenish STAR PERFORMER *****

GREEN HAT (Murray '55) M to L-38" See in life-like color. Next to Green Chance, in my opinion, as the best of the GREEN Iris available today for widespread planting at a very moderate price. Unique is certainly the word for this. Standards green-chartreuse, falls hazelnut-brown, edged with green of standards, set off with gold beard. Heavy substance. Produces 7 to 10 blooms per stalk. Wonderful for hybridizers; has two greenish Iris in its pedigree, Green Pastures and Appointee. You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words. See page 24. [(Green Pastures x Melitza) X Appointee].

Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.75**

GREEN PASTURES (Heller '47) E to L-44" One of closest approaches to green yet available.

A delightful chartreuse yellow in pastel tints. Touch of blue at tip of yellowish olive beard most effective; accentuates cool green tones. Huge, tall, free flowering. Starts early, often still in good condition when late varieties come out. Reported hardy in Iowa, but some in cold climates protect rhizomes over winter with a good mulch. Introduced at \$30.00. Extremely popular, outselling all other approaches to green; in fact, it outsold all other varieties. I sent out over 1,000 rhizomes, yet over 100 people were disappointed as they got their order in too late to get Green Pastures. A word to the wise is sufficient—order TODAY. Pollen is abundant, highly fertile; excellent seed setter. Now is the time to get a start so you can begin crossing with various greenish tones. You may well come up with a world beater. Note the quality of these descendants: Green Chance, Green Hat, Winged Goddess, Breath O'Kil-larney, Bowling Green. HC'45; HM'47 [Old Ironsides X Oregon Sunshine] See in color..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00**

"Your Green Pastures has been 100% wonderful." Mrs. R. E. Rhoten, Greenfield, Ohio.

"The greatest Iris I have ever grown in my garden is GREEN PASTURES, which I got from you some years ago. It is in demand all the time and sells like hot cakes." Royce D. Spinkston, Millswood, South Australia.

"Your Iris made quite a splash at the Spring Flower Show. Green Pastures won Judge's Choice for Horticulture." Charlene Coquat, Three Rivers, Texas.

GREEN SHADOWS (Sass '43) M-38" Here are green tones in a large flower of fetching light buff chartreuse. Well formed, heavy substance. Try crossing with other "greens." [Jean Cayeux X Amitola]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.20**

GREEN TINGE (Noyd '58) ML-30" This new arrival is a sister of the famed Angela Mia, and one that should be very useful to hybridizers working for greens. A white self with backs of falls green, and green-gold at the haft, and with buds that are quite green. A glance at the parentage will show you that this brings new blood lines into green breeding. [Dixie Belle X Spanish Peaks]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$1.95**

GREENS concluded on next page.

GREEN HAT

Most novel of the
"greens"—\$3.50



GREEN CHANCE—Greenest Iris to Date—\$3.50

APPOINTEE (White) M-40" If you're breeding for greens you need Appointee & Green Pastures, for these two are in the parentage of many of our best greens, notably: Green Chance, Green Hat & also Spring Witchery, Bowling Green & Noma Green. While Appointee seems very much worth while for the breeder, it is not one that I can recommend for beauty. It is pretty much of an ordinary yellow with trace of chartreuse or pale olive in falls, especially near the haft. Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25**

BLUE PARAKEET (Waters '50) M-L-42" Charming chicory blue. Hafts have decided greenish gold area extending nearly an inch down the fall. Even standards have flush of greenish gold. Perfumed flowers. HM'53 [Bandmaster X Azure Skies]..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **\$1.00**

CHAR-MAIZE (Lyon '49) M-44" Sea-foam chartreuse blended with deep yellow. Will delight flower arrangers seeking something different with real appeal. A large flower, heavy substance, withstands heat & wind. Has made name for itself, among fanciers & breeders. Descendants include Winged Goddess & Changing Tide. RU-Dykes '53 [Snow Flurry X Aztec Copper]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.40**

CHARTREUSE CHALICE (Brown '58) ML-34" The newest, certainly among very finest of amazing new approaches to a real green Iris. Characterized by the hybridizer as a real super Iris. A chartreuse self, with addressed standards, flaring falls, brown veins at haft. Bright orange beard, fine substance, wide branching. A good grower, splendid increase. Sets seed. [New Horizon X Tinted Porcelain]..... Regularly \$12.50; on \$20 order **\$8.35; 3 for \$22.50**

GREEN CHANCE (Murray '55) EM-38" My nomination for greenest Iris available today. Has more real green tones than any other I have seen. So I photographed it in color for you. A fetching chartreuse bitone. Standards light green-chartreuse, strongly arched; falls large, spreading, yellowish & greenish olive. Under some conditions standards are quite open & falls only slightly spreading. Visitors always astonished at amount of green when they suddenly run onto it. I am using this more than any other in my crosses for new and better greens. Pollen very abundant & fertile, very heavy seed setter. No one hybridizing for greens should be without it. Likely to sell out early. [Appointee X Green Pastures]... Reg. \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.75**

GREEN DRAGON — Greenish-yellow, brown, lilac. See Summers, page 5.

FEATURE OFFERING in Green Iris

***GREENGLOW** M-40" A white with a strong suffusion of greenish-chartreuse. Very large ruffled flower, wide of parts. Has good quality, height, branching, substance. Appeals to all who like the unusual. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40**

GREEN HOPE—Repeat-bloomer, often greener than Green Pastures, page 5.

BENTON OLIVE (Morris '49) E to L-36" See color plate. A very popular novelty in silvery olive-buff. I imported this from England as there are none like it in this country. A subtle new coloring proving very useful to arrangers. Enough green in its makeup to cause it to be used by every hybridizer working toward greens. Very good pollen. Sometimes blooms in Summer or Autumn. Regularly \$2.25; on \$15 order **\$1.50; 3 for \$4.30**

COLOR PLATE GREENS

—SPECIAL No. 23—Green Chance, Green Hat, Green Pastures, Benton Olive—all 4, a \$10.75 value, for only **\$6.95**

"Rain, rain and sun!
A rainbow in the sky!"
TENNYSON:
Idylls of the King.



Conclusion of Offerings in GREENS

HOT MUSTARD (Nelson '57) ML-42" As name implies, there is nothing mild about this new bitone in bright sulphur yellow. **Whole flower has a greenish glow and it fairly screams for attention.** Falls wide, flaring, very deep in color; standards lighter. High-lighted by an orange beard. Tall stalks with 3 branches and terminal. **HC'56**..... Regularly \$6.00; on \$15 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$10.05**

IRISH WHIM (Muhlestein '58) ML-40" A gorgeous very wide, ruffled white with a green cast throughout. A half sister to Snow Flurry, and one with lots of charm. Wide-angle branching. Could breed ruffled & laced blues & whites as well as greens. [Purissima X Azure Lake]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$4.75**

MYSTIC LEGEND — Intriguing blend of many colors, including green, page 33.

NONA (Davidson '58) ML-38" May well lead the whole green parade. A great advance in this coveted color class. Has been characterized as **clearest & cleanest chartreuse-green yet seen.** A tailored flower of perfection done in a light satiny chartreuse. Domed standards, nicely flaring falls; form takes after seedparent. Bred in Eastern Washington with temperatures of -20° & no snow cover. Tweezer-toters already at work; you'll want to join them. Pollen fertile; will pod, tho with some difficulty. [Char-Maize X Cloveley]..... Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

✱ **OKLAHOMA** M-41" Bewitching sea-foam green & buff. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40; 10 for \$5.00**

OLIVETTE (Jonas '57) ML-38" A great advance in green breeding lines. Giving quite a green effect; **sometimes is quoted as "the greenest Iris seen."** Standards Citron yellow; falls olive-yellow with beard in light cadmium. Large, broad & ruffled. Very fertile pollen. [(Golden Spike x Alice Harding) x (Soldano x China Clipper)] X (Coronet x Green Pastures). Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**

VEILED IN MYSTERY (Milliken '51) EM-38" Mysterious, very lovely—a satin white with an ethereal dusting of palest chartreuse. Standards & falls exquisitely fluted & ruffled. Unusual full violet beard. Introduced at \$35, now down to where Iris fans everywhere can enjoy it. Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00**

"The Veiled in Mystery I bought from you is simply terrific, and very, very lovely." Mildred M. Hancock.

WINGED GODDESS (Lyon '56) M-36" A color most fitting for this atomic age—standards very light uranium green, flushed with bluebird blue on the inside base; falls slightly tinted in pale uranium green, with an overcast of very soft bluebird blue washed from beard done in medium blue. Outer edges of ruffled petals have a faint flush of light mimosa yellow. A big, tall, stately flower with an irresistible appeal, a character all its own. Comes from wonderful parents, so should be fine for the hybridizer. [(Char-Maize x Green Pastures) X self]..... Regularly \$8.00; on \$15 order **2 for \$8.00; on \$25 order 3 for \$8.00**

YELLOW ORGANDY (Rees '52) L-42" Crisp as starched organdy, this pale yellow, green-tinged blossom is so heavily ruffled it appears almost shirred. Large 6-inch flowers on four-branched stalks holding 12 buds. [(Snow Flurry x Happy Days) X Ming Yellow]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.25**

MY FAVORITE GREENS — SPECIAL No. 24 — Explained on page 2. I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous assortments of my personal GREEN favorites for **\$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00 or \$50.00.**

BREEDER'S BEST GREENS — SPECIAL No. 25 — Any 5 of these 6: Char-Maize, Greenglow, Green Ivory, Oklahoma, Veiled in Mystery, Yellow Organdy..... for **\$4.95; all 6 for \$5.95**

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IRIS—In all colors
of the Rainbow

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For FEB.-MARCH-APRIL Bloom

USES: Low edging, rock gardens and window boxes or pots. Rhizomes small.

BLOOMING TIMES: Like to be surprised and delighted each and every spring? Then by all means plant some Dwarfs. They awake from their winter slumbers with the first inkling of spring warmth. Some morning, before you are expecting them, there they'll be, blooming away when winter has hardly left. From then on "Iris fever" develops rapidly and is soon at high pitch.

ABLAZE (Welch '56) 5" Tiny variegata, ablaze with color. Standards yellow, falls maroon-red, bordered yellow. Orange beard. **HM'56; RU-Caparne '60** [(TB pink x Nana) X yellow pumila]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.10; 3 for \$3.15**

AZUREA 6" Delightful, fairly large, sky blue, prettily veined lilac. Beard white. Regularly 75c; on \$15 order **65c**

BLAZON 7" A masterpiece! Deepest maroon, bright gold beard, spur & embroidery.... Regularly 75c; on \$15 order **65c**

BLUE BAND 6" Neat, very blue bitone, white beard. Profuse pollen. Regularly 75c; on \$15 order **65c**

✱ **BLUE FROST** 5" Beautifully formed sky-blue pumila hybrid, flaring form, white beard. Slim, delicate foliage. '59 Caparne Award. Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

BURCHFIELD 7" Heavy blooming intense orange-yellow. My favorite!..... Regularly 75c; on \$15 order **65c**

FEATURE OFFERING in Dwarfs

✱ **CHERRY SPOT** (Welch '56) 7" Bright bicolor. Pure white standards, falls white edged, large cherry-red center. **HM'56; RU-Caparne Award '58 & '59 & '60** [(G-504 x G-509) X (Cook 1546 x Carpathia)]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

FIOR DEL MONDO 11" Striking variegata. Yellow & ochre yellow, splashed dark red. Regularly 75c; on \$15 order **65c**

HEATHERBLOOM 6" Largest red Dwarf. A striking Hydrangea red, domed standards, dark velvety falls. Unusual. Pollen abundant. Regularly \$1; on \$15 order **75c**

INKY 7" At last a high quality really black dwarf. Standards black-violet; falls soot black, contrasting orange beard. Hardy. Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.90**

✱ **LAVENDER DAWN** 5" Long-season prize lilac; best for foliage ground cover.... Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00**

LITTLE MOHEE (Grapes '54) 5" Delightful blended brown bitone. Standards light brown, falls chestnut brown with narrow border of yellow. **HM'54; RU-Caparne Award '58 & '59**..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40; 10 for \$6.25**

MIST O'PINK 9" Bright rose pink, neat wide-extended falls. Beard yellow. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **75c**

MOON GLEAM 7" See Ektachrome. Very superior, large light yellow. **RU-Caparne '56**..... Regularly 85c; on \$15 order **75c; 3 for \$2.15**

ORANGE GLINT (Welch '53) 7" Deep orange-yellow — deepest yellow in dwarfs. Beard orange. Excellent parent. **HM'53**..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.10**

PROMISE 4" Finest pearly mauve-pink, stiffly flaring wide horizontal falls give it distinction. **RU-Caparne '58.** [Arenaria hybrid]..... Regularly 85c; on \$15 order **70c**

RED GEM (Welch '56) 7" First red in the superior new race. Crimson bitone, velvety falls. **HM'56; Dwarf Award Special Merit '56**..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.40**

ROSE BLUSH 5" Largest-flowered Dwarf, spread of 5 inches. Lavender pink, spreading falls. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**

SULINA 4" A midget in deep violet-blue, blackish violet signal, lilac-blue beard. Pollen is blue. Reg. \$1.50; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$7.50**

✱ **VERI-GAY** (Welch '54) 6" Standards bright yellow, falls reddish, yellow border; beard orange. **Caparne Award '58**..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1; 3 for \$2.85**

MY FAVORITE DWARFS — SPECIAL No. 26 — Explained on page 2. I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous assortments of my personal favorites in the precious little Dwarfs for.....

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BEGINNER'S RAINBOW RIOT — SPECIAL No. 27 — Any 6 of these 12: Blarney, Blazon, Blue Band, Burchfield, Green Petals, Heatherbloom, Lavender Dawn, Little Mohee, Moon Gleam, Promise, Rose Blush, Veri-Gay.....

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FIOR DEL MONDO—75c

MOON
GLEAM
SULINA
85c

\$1.50



These DWARF and MEDIAN Iris

4 Types of **MEDIANS** to Follow Your Season Thru

People everywhere are asking for more Medians, particularly the useful Lilliputs. So I have added 7 new Lilliputs, 2 new Intermediates, & our first color plate of Median Iris, showing 4 delightful little Lilliputs. Now that you can see how lovely these are & what you've been missing, you'll want to try various other Medians, too.

Earliest — **LILLIPUTS March - April - May Bloom** — See in color

Multiple bloom stalks give heavy long season bloom, starting very early with last of Dwarfs.

- BARIA** 10" Lovely light yellow. Long heavy bloom.Reg. 85c; on \$15 order **80c**
- BRITE** (Cook '55) E-12" Charming creamy-white with greenish cast. Well shaped flowers. [Blue Tall X Yellow Pumila]Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**
- FAIRY FLAX** 11" Clear flax blue, white beard. Spreads like magic. RU-Cook Douglas Award '59 & '60. Seedparent of Angel Eyes & Paper & Ink.Reg. 85c; on \$15 order **70c**
- GARNET TREASURE** 8" Finest red Lilliput; makes carpet of blooms. Standards wine-red; falls flaring, deep garnet. Very showy.Reg. \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**
- LILLI-WHITE** (Welch '58) E-12" Finest pure white, even to the beard. Ruffled, flared, wonderfully formed. Try crossing with Colossal whites, such as Snow Goddess. [(Blue Shimmer x Carpathia) X (Bouquet x (Fiancee x Fairy))].Regularly \$4.50; on \$15 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$8.40**
- LITTLE DOGIE** (Roberts '59) E-12" White ground with violet hemstitching. Beard white, style arms violet. Flowers carried well above foliage. Highly fertile both ways. [Mariposa Mia X Cretica]Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35**
- LITTLE ROSY WINGS** (Douglas '58) E-11" Pleasing bitone. Rosy standards, flaring rose-red falls. Good breeder. [Orange Glow X Pumila yellow]Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**
- PAPER AND INK** (Muhlestein '58) E-14" Dark blue thumb print on ivory ground suggests ink spot on wet blotting paper. So this is a blue version of Green Spot. [Fairy Flax X Utah Sky]Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35**
- PIGMY GOLD** 12" Brilliant yellow, flaring, velvety. Begins with Dwarfs, lasts until Tall Bearded. Very fragrant.Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**
- POGO** (Douglas '54) E-14" Clear yellow with striking maroon thumbprint in center of falls. Fine form.Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **80c**
- SMALL WONDER** (Douglas '54) E-12" Lovely small edition of famous blue Helen McGregor. Floriferous, delightful. [Helen McGregor X Pumila blue]Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**
- TINKERBELL** 12" Flaring blue, deeper blue in center of falls. Ruffled, lovely. Cook-Douglas Award '60.Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

Varied **INTERMEDIATES** — April - May Bloom

Plant back of your edging of Dwarfs & Lilliputs. They fill blooming gap between Lilliputs & Talls.

- CLOUD FLUFF** (Greenlee '55) E-18" New, ruffled & flared snow white without peer. Wide parts, fine substance, beautiful form. Fertile. [(Cook 10942 x pumila) X Cloud Castle] RU-Sass Award '60.Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25**
- ***SNOW MAIDEN** 12" Pure white, very fragrant.Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c; 3 for \$1.90; 10 for \$5.00**
- ST. OSYTH** 26" Duck-egg blue self — most beautiful blue intermediate. Pollen potentRegularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**

Useful **BORDER IRIS** — May - June Bloom

Resemble Talls but are under 30", so plant in front of Talls for professional effects.

- CHERRY FALLS** (Douglas '53) ML-24" Aglow with life and fire. Bright yellow standards, erect, firm. Brilliant velvety cherry-red falls give a dash and radiance. Hard to beat for edgings and low clumps for accent. Pollen abundant. HM '53.Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.90**
- GOLD INTENSITY** (Austin '54) EM-22" Intense smooth yellow above very deep orange yellow, orange beard. Heavy bloomer, often 3 blooms out at once. Use for arrangements. Good pollen.Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **95c**
- LODESTAR** (Hall) M-24" My favorite of all Median Iris. An eye-catching variegata. Standards bright yellow; falls dark scarlet, edged yellow. Possesses a brightness, clarity of color and contrast hardly equalled.Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**
- MIRAGE** (Reinhart '56) M-24" New, fascinating color break in plicatas. Standards and falls reddish-black violet; edging of yellow on both. Bright daffodil yellow at haft ending in a point at end of beard; white blaze in center. Really novel! [Royal Scot X (Orloff x Elsa Sass)]Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.40**
- PINK RUFFLES** M-27" Exquisite lilac pink, ruffled.Reg. \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**
- RAJAH** (Smith '44) EM-20" Bright yellow standards. Falls deep red, with brilliant crimson flush. Nicely rounded flowers. Heavy bloomer. In life-like color.Reg. \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50**

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Top to bottom: Tinkerbell, Allah, Green Spot, Garnet Treasure — All 4 **LILLIPUTS**, a \$6.50 value for only **\$3.95**

For Arrangements — **TABLE IRIS** — May - June Bloom

Best Iris to grow for table decoration and picturesque arrangements.

- NAMBE** M-21" Blue and gold effect. Golden Empire yellow above Hortense violet; margin Empire yellow.Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**
- WIDGET** 24" Whimsical baby white plicata, so naive you will adore it. Imagine its usefulness in arrangements.Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**
- ASSORTED MEDIANS** — **SPECIAL NO. 32** — Any 6 of these 10: Baria, Doxa, Fairy Flo, Little Rosy Wings, Nambe, Pink Ruffles, Ruby Glow, Snow Maiden, St. Osyth, Widget.for **\$3.95; all 10 for only \$5.95**

Much-Sought **GREENISH Dwarfs and Medians**

You may have the 1st 5 for **\$3.25**; 1st 6 for **\$3.95**; 1st 7 for **\$5.50**

- BLARNEY** (Welch '50) E-5" Standards white with faint lilac veins. Falls pale olive green, heavily washed in soft dark lavender. Beard prominent, nearly white. [(Fiancee x Fairy) X Cook 1546]Regularly 75c; on \$15 order **70c**
- DOXA** VE-20" Standards pale cream veined green. Fine for arrangements. Falls silvery white, flushed greenish yellow, haft veined soft brown.Reg. 85c; on \$15 order **70c**
- GREEN HALO** (Greenlee '55) E-14" Interesting light olive-green, deeper green halo on flaring falls. Well shaped flowers. Fertile. [(10942 x Pumila) X (Blue Shimmer x Carpathia)]Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**
- GREEN SPOT** (Cook '51) E-12" Imagine a trim pure white with horizontal falls having a half-inch patch of almost unbelievable bright medium green at end of beard. Holds possibilities for breeders. HM '51 [Cook TB No. 10942 X Yellow Pumila]Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$6.25**
- GREEN GODDESS** EE-4" Creamy white with pronounced greenish cast—in fact one of the greenest dwarfs that I list. A real midget, only 4" high, has flowers among largest of Dwarfs, often over 4" across. An extremely heavy bloomer, not only flowering in the spring, but often also in fall.Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **75c**
- ***GREEN PETALS** (Welch '55) EE-7" Bitone. Standards pale creamy-green, falls darker green. Beard white, tipped yellow. Fragrant. [(Fairy x Fiancee) X Pumila]Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **65c; 3 for \$1.85; 10 for \$5.00**

***** Median **STAR PERFORMER** *****

- ***ALLAH** (Doriot '57) EE-15" A whimsical and daring color pattern not duplicated in any other Iris. Just imagine this Ripley's Believe-it-or-not color combination: Standards light blue, ribbed in green veins; falls startling parrot-green, edged blue and with an orange-tangerine beard tipped white. No gardener who likes to be up-to-date will want to be long without this ruffled color gem. Fertile both ways. HC '56; HM '57 [Snow Flurry X Welch K 505 pumila]Regularly \$2.75; on \$15 order **\$1.85**

- ***KISS ME KATE** (Cook '58) E-20" A new arrival that will steal your heart away with its unique coloring—pretty creamy flowers with a seafoam green overcast & a wide violet-blue border on the falls. Sass Award '60 [Involving blue Talls & Progenitor]Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$7.10**

The Attention-Compelling FLAT-BEARDED Iris

Like Japanese Iris, but easy to grow

Gardeners have had difficulties for years in supplying the flooded bog conditions and the extremely rich organic soil required for the best development of the Japanese Iris. So now they are turning to the newly developed Bearded Iris varieties that give the same magnificent displays of immense flat flowers, with just ordinary care. Below I present, to aid your garden planning, the only comprehensive assemblage of these much-sought Iris to be found anywhere. Most of them have been introduced thru the pages of this catalog during the past few years. **Clementina** and **Giant Clematis** are my own originations. Six of them (**Japanese**, **Pentagonal**, **White Parasol**, **No-Top**, **Rhythm** and **Little Freak**) I have introduced for other hybridizers. I sent all the way to Scotland to get stocks of the old but fascinating **Clematis** for you. So this entire group is very nearly exclusive with Rainbow Gardens. I know that these completely out-of-the-ordinary Iris will bring a new sense of interest and eager curiosity to YOUR garden.

TALL BEARDED GIANT FLAT IRIS

NO-TOP (Lawson '58) M-36" Caused much favorable comment at Memphis Convention. Was a guest in Mrs. Elby Martin's garden. She wrote it caused more comment than any other Iris. Mrs. J. W. Hinkle commented: "Japanese form; five styles; greenest iris seen." Mrs. Harry Frey says: "A green-white, with 6 bearded falls and no standards, but possessing 6-8 style arms. Buds are decidedly green. Very attractive." A large flower, 6-7 inches across, no stamens or pollen but will set seed. Flower sometimes seems pure white. [Purissima X Spindrift]..... Regularly \$6.00; on \$15 order **\$3.95**

FEATURE OFFERING in FLAT Bearded Iris

PINAFORE LASS (F. Cook '51) EM-38" See in color. Falls heavily gathered, pleated so form of flower is like nothing you've seen before — but in a way it has the flatness and appeal of a Japanese Iris. Coloring carries out similarity, for white center suggests a blaze. From this glowing whiteness there are ever-deepening tints of lilac & violet out to deeper colored scalloped margins. Really novel. Rhizomes small. Fragrant. HM'52. [Snow Flurry X White Wedgewood]..... Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25**

WHITE PARASOL (Mrs. R. M. Wolf '58) M-ML-38" See in color. From high in Colorado Rockies, near Continental Divide, where temperatures of —25° have been recorded, comes this magnificent flat white Iris. A huge snow-white flower often up to 9"; flattens out much like a white parasol; hence its name. Displayed as a guest at American Iris Society Convention, Memphis, Tenn. Unlike most of older "flats" would seem to be a tetraploid, judging from its vigor & great size. Will be in constant demand as a corsage flower, & for use indoors in large flat containers. Substance heavy. Pollen variable, sometimes good; sets seed, so will be used by hybridizers everywhere. [Spanish Peaks X Violet Symphony] As it is partially inconstant & variable when poorly established, or at end of season, now offered, while supply lasts, at only..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **2 for \$5.00**; on \$25 order **3 for \$5.00**

MEMPHIS CONVENTION REPORT: "Everyone was quite taken with a big flat Japanese type of iris named **WHITE PARASOL**." Helen McCaughey, in the 1957 Yearbook of British Iris Society.

CONVENTION REPORT in Bul. 146 by former A.I.S. President Jesse Wills: "The most unusual Iris I saw in Memphis was . . . **White Parasol** . . . a wide flat flower where the standards laid over flat in a regular orderly fashion so effect was not like a tall bearded Iris at all, but was rather suggestive of a big exotic Japanese type."

ONCOBRED GIANT FLAT IRIS

BELLA MOHR (Ohl '55) M-36" Imagine an "Elmohr" with "Sable" coloring, and a form that sometimes partially or fully flattens out. Quite something! Huge, wide full flowers in glowing blackish purple. Wonderful substance. An Oncobred that is a knockout! HM'56. [William Mohr X Sable]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35**; **3 for \$3.85**



GIANT CLEMATIS

***** FLAT Oncobred STAR PERFORMER *****

GIANT CLEMATIS (Austin '58) M-32" As my Ektachrome shows resembles a giant Clematis flower much more than an Iris. Immense in size, commonly 9" across. Occasionally some open up nearly normal, but usually after a day or two most flatten out as illustrated, displaying 6 beards instead of 3. Many who see this giant for first time think it is a Japanese Iris, but actually it is an Oncobred. Somewhat similar to my Clementina, but petals much wider, resulting in a flat flower that is almost a perfect circle.

***** Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95** *****

FLURRY MOHR E-42" A huge rich violet. Standards tend to flatten so makes a wonderful single-flower arrangement, or flat-dish display. . . . Reg. \$1.00; on \$15 order **85c**

CLEMENTINA (Austin '55) EM-34" Huge, heavily-marbled Oncobred. As flower opens it is often nearly normal, but within

a day or two many flowers flatten out so both standards and falls are nearly horizontal. These immense flowers sometimes have a spread up to 9 inches. Unique flat Iris blooms ideal for shallow container on dining table. Either flat or in normal form the marbled coloring is so exquisite I had more requests for this before introduction than any other seedling. A heavy bloomer, producing a mass of flowers. All six petals have beards. In great demand for corsages, for which it is simply superb. A splendid seed setter. [Snow Flurry X Capitola]..... Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **2 for \$3.00**; on \$25 order **3 for \$3.00**

LUCKY SUPER BUY 2 OR 3 FOR PRICE OF 1

CLEMENTINA

It draws a crowd by being big
This marbled giant's flat

With 9 inch spread . . . An oncobred
Just made to marvel at!

—George Nicholas Rees



RHYTHM

The
attraction
of the
UNUSUAL



CLEMENTINA



FLAT BORDER & TABLE IRIS

CLEMATIS L-30" Variable, but flowers tend strongly to flatten out and many have 6 bearded petals instead of 3. A light violet-blue with bright lilac flush thru center of falls. Very interesting! Usually has viable pollen. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**

***DOROTHEA** VE-16" Trim modern form with nicely arched standards & stiff flaring falls? Goodness no, this has delightful wind-blown effect which departs from all formality. A pale lavender white, dappled amethyst. Reg. \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c; 3 for \$2.00**

***JAPANESE** (Vallette '60) L-24" Border Iris with a strange flat form. Usually has four fall-like petals that open out flat like Rhythm, but larger. There are also two smaller erect-spreading standards to complete this strange appearance. A bright lilac-rose. Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.45**

LITTLE FREAK M-22" A white plicata that flattens out, but quite unlike the beardless Japanese, this regularly has six yellow beards. Attractive edging of violet. Pollen variable. A heavy increaser. Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

***PENTAGONAL** (Vallette '60) L-26" A curiosity. Usually has only 5 petals—4 of them flattened out & the 5th partially erect. Petals usually entirely beardless. Styles & stigmas normal. A pretty white flushed lilac pink. [Pink Tower X Salmon Fuchsia]. Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.45**

RHYTHM (Ballard '54) M to ML-24" See in color. A phenomenal break in Iris form; the first flat Iris with six bearded falls. A whimsical freak of nature, entirely without the usual three standards characterizing normal Iris. A novel item for arrangement fans. While not highly fertile, it offers a challenge to adventurous breeders. 24 chromosomes. [(Alcazar x Archeveque) X Candelabra]. Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$2.35**

FLAT STARTER — SPECIAL No. 22 — Any 5 of these 7: Bella Mohr, Clematis, Dorothea, Flurry Mohr, Japanese, Little Freak, Pentagonal. for **\$4.75; all 7 for \$5.95**

Don't Miss the 11 GREENISH Oncobreds

CORONATION TAPESTRY (Craig '53) EM-38" Strangely blended and veined. A bicolor involving lilac, brown, gold, coronation purple, rose maroon, hudson seal and even palmleaf green. Of special interest to lovers of the exotic and to breeders of greens. HM'55 [Gay Senorita X Joppa Parrot]. Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.90**

GRAY MOHR (Paul '56) EM-36" A huge striking Mohr type flower in a most unusual coloring. It may be termed yellowish-gray-chartreuse. Falls flecked olive-brown. Only those who have actually seen Gatesii will realize how closely this resembles its exotic *Oncocyclus* grandparent. Certainly a "throw-back" and one that could be very useful to the breeder. As large as Gatesii and has much the same appeal. But unlike most Oncos this is fast of increase and easy to grow. Superb for either garden display or indoor arrangements. Pollen plentiful. [Wm. Mohr X (Alta California x King Midas)]. Reg. \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.90**

GREEN MOHR (Muhlestein '51) ML-40" An appealing color. A silvery grey flushed with greenish yellow. Lavender flush center of falls. An extra large flower of full Mohr form, with definite Onco characteristics. Buds strongly olive green indicating large amount of green in make-up. Should be crossed with the best of the greenish Tall Bearded. Will set seed, has plentiful pollen. HC'50; HM'52 [William Mohr X Chosen]. See life-like photo, page 42. Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **2 for \$1.50**

APPRAISAL: "Visitors were stopped 'dead in their tracks' by a magnificent display of new Onco hybrids including . . . Green Mohr, a huge chartreuse variety." Report in A.I.S. Bulletin, 128 on visit to Prof. Harrison's garden in Massachusetts.

GREEN PHEASANT (Murray) VE-35" Here is a real novelty for the many who are now breeding for "greens." A stunning tan-brown with a heavy infusion of green. Standards closed, falls flaring. A heavy increaser. Parentage not available, but Mr. Murray tells me it is half Onco. Brilliant crimson leaf bases add materially to colorful effect. Has pollen. Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00**

JABAL KERAK, KALIFA BALTIS & KALIFA KABUL — See page 41.

LADY MOHR VE-36" Has been close to top of Irisdom. Standards oystershell white infused lavender. Falls bewitching seafoam or chartreuse yellow. Abundantly fertile. HM'44; AM'46. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **95c**

OLIVE ORCHID (Austin '56) L-40" Most "unusual" Oncobred I ever bloomed! Has an almost believe-it-or-not combination of hafts prominently marked with broad olive veins on petals of pale lilac-blue. It is 40" tall, with excellent branching, characteristics seldom associated with Oncobreds. Usually 3 long branches, one short one. Unlike most Oncobreds, it blooms late. Good pollen. [Butterfly Wings X Chivalry]. Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.70**

RIPPLES E to M-36" Immense hybrid with blooms 7 to 8 inches across. Falls broad, flaring, waved. A lovely old lilac with hafts and margins olive yellow. Sets seed. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**

***SESPE** (Walker '52) M-54" Not exceeded in vigor by any other Oncobred. I saw this growing in originator's garden to a height of 6 feet. A graceful greenish-yellow with nicely flaring falls, excellent substance. HC'49 [Brown Betty X Fort Knox]. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c; 3 for \$2.00**

See also groups of fascinating greenish Iris on pages 25, 26 & 27

For main listing of ONCOBREDS see pages 39-42.

SUGGESTION FOR LOCAL IRIS SOCIETIES

Why not gain widespread publicity by exhibiting re-blooming Iris at your State Fair, as the Empire State Iris Society is doing in New York? Note this account of their exhibit from Sept. 4-12, 1959, written by Marguerite Slocum:

"The booth this year exhibited living iris in bloom for the first time. The varieties Autumn Queen, Sangreal, Autumn Bronze, Autumn Twilight, Barre Beauty, Fall Primrose, and a McGarvey Seedling, caused much comment from the many visitors to the Horticultural Building. Another suggestion is the creation of a special award for the best re-blooming seedling produced by a New York State hybridizer, to be judged at the Fair by an accredited judge."

IRIS LOVER PLEASED WITH MY FAVORITES COLLECTION—"I want another 'My Favorites Collection.' A year ago I ordered a My Favorites—\$25.00, and I would like to commend you on the outstanding selection both in color and blooming time. I am extremely happy with the Rainbow Iris you sent. Without exception they have all bloomed the first year and are growing beautifully. Thank you." Charles Wilson, San Diego, California.

AMATEUR HYBRIDIZER'S OPPORTUNITY

My new SPACE-AGE Iris unlock the door for the beginner in hybridizing. With any of these new fertile Flounced and Spooned Iris as starters anyone can quickly and easily create for himself marvels such as the world has never seen. See pages 1, 44, 14-15.

THE RIGHT IRIS FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES

HOME DECORATION WITH FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS — Iris in general and these kinds in particular are superb for indoor flower arrangements. With the natural grace of Iris you don't have to be an expert to quickly achieve highly artistic arrangements. **Greens:** (pages 25, 26, 29) Benton Olive, Blue Parakeet, Char-Maize; **Novelties:** (page 13) White Chalice, Pink Marble; **Table Iris:** (page 27) all varieties well suited to arrangements; **Oncobreds:** (pages 39-42) Laban Effendi, Gray Mohr, Olive Orchid; **Medians:** (page 27) Copper Orange, Valiant Ola, Lodestar; **Tall Bearded:** Holy Smoke, p. 33; **Summers:** Persian Pattern, p. 6.

CORSAGES — **Flats** (page 28): Nearly all of the Flat-Bearded Iris are superb for eye-catching corsages. They are also frequently used for table decoration in broad, shallow containers. Most effective varieties for these two uses are: Clemantina, White Parasol and Giant Clematis; **Tall Bearded** that can easily be made into stunning orchid-like corsages: Frolic (page 32) and many other plicatas; Fancyancy (page 32) and various other fancies.

ROCK GARDENS AND POT CULTURE — Both of these popular uses for Iris require plants of low stature, with relatively small flowers. So you'll find just the Iris you need on pages 26 & 27, the **Dwarfs** and **Medians**. Also there are some petite repeat-blooming **Autumns** (pages 7 to 10) such as Blue Mascot and Green Goddess.

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Large Hybrid TALL BEARDED

World's Finest Selection of Both the Very

For May-June Bloom

THE 6 NEW RACES OF TALL BEARDED IRIS

During the past decade 6 distinct and important new races of Bearded Iris have gradually emerged. These have now reached the stage in their evolution where they need to be separated out from the ordinary Tall Bearded Iris listed below on pages 30 to 35, and set up as distinct entities in their own rights. Only by doing this can this IRIS GUIDEBOOK serve flower lovers everywhere & enable them to quickly grasp the real nature & significance of the extensive new developments.

SPACE-AGE IRIS: HORNED, SPOONED, FLOUNCED — pages 14, 15, 44, 1.

FLAT BEARDED — Partly Tall Bearded Iris, pages 28, 29. **COLOSSALS** — See pages 18, 19.

TANGERINE-BEARDED IRIS — Flamingo pinks, and other colors with tangerine beards, pp. 36-38.

APPROACHES TO GREENS — Pages 25, 26. **LACY LOVELIES** — Pages 16, 17.

The Tall Bearded varieties in the above 6 categories, and all of those below, are included in my complete alphabetical **INDEX on page 43**, so you can find any variety with the greatest of ease.

USES: Tall Bearded Iris are adapted by height, size of flowers, and by the wide range of colors, for your main colorful displays in late spring. My Supplement gives many detailed suggestions on utilizing these and other iris.

CULTURE, HARDINESS, SHIPPING & PLANTING TIMES: See page 23.

★ = Choicest of inexpensive Iris, especially recommended for beginners.

BIG GAME (Fay '54) E to L-38" A self in the deepest shade of violet. Begins blooming with the early ones; still blooming at end of season. Tall stalks usually have 3 huge flowers open at once. There are 3 buds instead of the usual 2 in each socket, with a total 12 to 15 flowers per stem. Will make a stunning, heavy blooming clump. **HM'54; AM'58** [(Snow Flurry x Chivalry) X (Blue Seedling x Chivalry)].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$3.30**

BLACK DIAMOND ML-35" A copiously formed, heavily substance ebon-blue-black. Lustrous black sheen. **HM'52**.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **95c**

BLACK HILLS M-38" A shade blacker than Black Forest. A full petaled and nicely proportioned flower with a smooth blue-black color but no haft markings. Wonderful velvety black falls. **HM'51; AM'54**.....Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

APPRAISAL IN OCT. '56 A.I.S. Bul.: "Black Hills has not been topped . . . performs in all gardens, and above all it has garden value—for it holds its head up with the best of them. Now that the price is down, no garden should be without it."—Mrs. G. Roach Sr.

★ **BLACK MISCHIEF** (Schreiner '53) EM-36" Early blooming. Intensely colored near black, as rich & deep a midnight hue as can be imagined. Very free flowering. [Black Forest X Cameroun].....Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

BLAKSTOK (Plough '58) EML-33" One of the few fine neglectas introduced in recent years. Standards Imperial purple; falls blackish purple with solid brown hafts. Orchid style crests tipped in brown furnish pleasing contrast. [Amigo Sdlg. X Red Torch].....Regularly \$6.00; on \$15 order **\$5.70**

World's First PATENTED Iris Varieties

Obviously, only Iris of championship caliber are worthy of patenting, so when you buy a patented variety you can be certain it is an Iris par excellence. There are no restrictions on the seeding or use of pollen of these patented Iris.

AMETHYST FLAME (Schreiner '58) ML-38" Next to top in '59 Judges' Choice. Among most coveted Iris today. A fascinating NEW color—a blue lilac or heliotrope overlain with a soft pink sheen. Due to gorgeous ruffling it abounds in scintillating highlights. A true self except for chestnut epaulets on shoulders & stunning white beard. An immense Iris of elegant flaring form & exceptionally heavy substance. Plant Patent No. 1793. **HM'58; AM'60** [Crispette X (Lavanisque x Pathfinder)]...**\$12.00 each**

BRONZE BELL (Schreiner '57) EM-36" If you're looking for an Iris that will be a conversation piece in your garden for years to come, you need look no further. Just plant Bronze Bell. Surpasses all other Iris in its color class—a dazzling copper with a strong golden iridescence like highly polished copper or light bronze. A massive flower of splendid substance, superb form, exuberant ruffling. Plant Patent No. 1728. **JC'58; AM'59** [Copper Medallion X Inca Chief].....**\$10.00 each**

GIANT ROSE — Simply enormous 11" flowers. See COLOSSALS, page 18.....**\$15.00 each**

TRIM (McKee '56) M-36" Introduced as reddest of red Iris, it has been a sensation. A large glittering coppery red with sparkling sheen & silky smoothness of finish. Hafts without venation. Tall for a red, with stalks branched & rebranched; up to 23 or more flowers per stalk. A line-bred Iris with wonderful blood for hybridizers; should impart hybrid vigor, real redness, its own fine finish & quiet haft. Plant Patent No. 1592. **HM'56; JC'57** [(Pequot x (Lights On x Moontide)) X (Redwyn x Moontide)].....**\$7.50 each**

PATENTED IRIS COLLECTION — **SPECIAL No. 28** — Order any 2 or more of above 4 patented Iris & deduct 1/3 from the sum of their prices. Take advantage of this & be first in your neighborhood to have a patented Iris—an easy way to get ahead of "the Jones"—and you'll really have something to crow about.

BOLD CONTRAST—Dramatic—\$3.00—Page 31

ACCENT (Buss '53) M-40" Yes, this is the Iris to use for accent in your garden; an eye-catching sight! A striking bicolor or variegata. Standards clear yellow; falls rose-red. [Extravaganza X Frank Adams].....Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

AHOY (Tompkins '57) ML-38" One of the top favorites, & a "New Look" in the red class. Close to Carmine red by Ridgeway; appears as a bright rosy-toned cherry-red having great carrying power. Ultra smooth clean finish adds to its beauty. Large, beautifully formed, flaring with very heavy substance & non-burning finish. Strong, well branched stalks on husky plants. Comes from Defiance, so appears to have great breeding potentialities. **HC'55** [Sdlg. 50-116 X Defiance].....Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$6.35; 3 for \$18.10**

AL BORAK M-36" Largest of horizontal-fall browns. Standards glowing copper with a gold undertone. Falls lively brown-russet. **HC'49; HM'53**.....Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$6.25**

ANGEL CURLS (Branch '57) L-34" An exquisitely ruffled medium light blue that has captivated many of our visitors & has a personality all its own. Standards strong & closed; falls very wide, flaring. Substance heavy, possess remarkable weather resistance. Its late blooming habit will help to extend your blooming season. **HM'58; RU-JC'59** [(Azure Skies x Cahokia) X Cahokia].....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**

ARABI PASHA — See listing of **DYKES MEDAL** winners, page 31.

ARGUS PHEASANT — See **Ektachrome** on page 32, listing of **DYKES MEDAL** winners on page 31.

ASPENGLOW (Loomis '56) L-36" A wonderfully rich, full, and beautifully formed deep yellow, with just a touch of ruffling. Reported as the deepest gold seen, and non-fading in the sun. Large blooms on strong well-branched stalks insure a long season of bloom. **HM'58**.....Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.35**

BANG (Craig '55) ML-36" Much coveted. A big, rich bright red, closest to true red yet achieved. Far outclasses ordinary reds. Will be sought by fanciers & breeders alike. Substance good. Beard golden-bronze. Lots of pollen. Pollen parent of wonderful new Zombie. **JC'56; AM'60** [Savage X (Cordova x Molten)].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35**

BEACON HILL (Corey '55) M-38" A clean, light blue, smooth and ruffled, holding its color well. Completely hardy. Proving a good parent. **HC'50; HM'54** [Helen McGregor X Bay State].....Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

BELLE MEADE (Wills '52) M-39" A superior pure white plicata, feathered at the edges with violet-blue. Has sufficient color to give a very blue effect. Excellent branching. Descendants include Miss Alameda & Rococo. **RU-AM'57** [Blue Shimmer X Snow Crystal].....Regularly \$4.50; on \$15 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$8.40**

BELTON BEAUTY (Frey '59) EM-37" One of most widely heralded of recent introductions. A very large, heavily ruffled & broadly formed flower in rich deep violet with a large white area in center of falls, giving it uniqueness & distinction. A well substance beauty, blooms heavily on well branched stalks & is always lovely, rain or shine. Extra long blooming season. **HM'59; JC'60** [Snow Flurry X Chivalry].....Regularly \$20.00; on \$30 order **\$18.95**

BETH COREY (Watkins-Watkins '57) ML-38" Everyone is looking for a new Iris with more flowers per stalk & a resultant longer blooming period. This is my nomination for the best blue in this category. A lovely medium blue of great clarity of color and beauty of form, and has 3 or 4 buds in each socket; hence blooms for an extremely long period of time. Color reported non-fading in inland Washington sun. Flowers large with yellow-orange beard. Domed standards, flaring falls. Superior tall, sturdy stalks, branching good. **HM'57; JC'58** [(Shining Waters x Gloriole) x Great Lakes) X Chivalry].....Regularly \$7.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65**

BLACK MICHAEL (Morris '49) L-42" A black of noble proportions from England, of tremendous weather-resisting substance. Standards rich blue-violet; falls flaring, of deepest velvety violet black. Well branched. Silver Medal Eng. Iris Soc. '48 [Persephone X Blue Ensign].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35**

IRIS for Mid & Late Spring Bloom

Newest and the Inexpensive Popular Favorites

Recent DYKES MEDAL Winners

The recent Dykes Winners are assembled here for the convenience of the experts who know their Iris—at the same time this grouping provides the easiest possible way for any beginner to order an assortment of varieties and be sure that all are of the highest quality in Iris that have been actually tested and proved adaptable over the entire Nation. Why not use Special No. 29 below to start YOUR Dykes Medal bed, & add to it each year?

SWAN BALLET (Muhlestein '55) M to L-40" **'59 DYKES** Glorious pure white. At very top of elite Judge's Choice list in '56; in '57 it topped AM list. A.I.S. Bulletins abound in high praises for this beauty. Form delightful, just enough ruffling to give it grace & charm. Fertile both ways. A single cross, Swan Ballet X Mount Emmons, has already yielded Uintah & Lilac Bouquet. Better look twice before you pass up this one! Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$5.95**

BLUE SAPPHIRE (Schreiner '53) EM-40" **'58 DYKES**. At very top of Popularity Symposium for '58, '59 & '60; Dykes Winner in '58. A very blue silvery flower of extra large size & exquisite purity. Petals very broad with heavily ruffled edges, yet with extraordinarily heavy substance enabling flowers to come through a storm. Makes finest background Iris imaginable. No Iris is coveted by more people. If you don't have it—don't wait—they are going fast, next week may be too late. [Snow Flurry X Chivalry] Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **\$1.00**

VIOLET HARMONY (Lowry '52) M-40" **'57 DYKES**. Magnificent large ruffled violet. Favorably commented on in the bulletins for past several years. Won President's Cup year after its introduction. A gorgeous wide violet self grown to its full glory in many different states; should certainly do well for you. Luckily this beauty has pollen, sets seed readily. For last 3 years this superb Iris has achieved a position next to the top of yearly Popularity Symposium. [Snow Flurry X Cloud Castle] Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.50**

SABLE NIGHT (Cook '52) M-38" **'55 DYKES**. Sensational black, coveted everywhere. Standards deep blackish-wine, nearly closed; falls velvety, unbelievably black, with harmonizing dark bronze beard. Will be something for breeders of black Iris to shoot at for years to come. A real crowd-stopper! Branching good. [(Indiana Night x Modoc) X Sable] Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.90**

MARY RANDALL (Fay '51) M-36" **'54 DYKES**. Most sought of all Flamingo pinks. A deep rose pink self with a bright red-tangerine beard. A splendid break in color termed Bengal Rose. A large flower with remarkable thickness of petals, hafts wide, free from markings, falls round, flaring. A flower of near perfection. Superb for hybridizers; pollen amazingly fertile. Produces wonderful seedlings. [New Horizon X (Pink Cameo x Cherie)] Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$1.65**

TRULY YOURS (Fay '49) VL-38" **'53 DYKES**. A huge creation, breathtaking & spectacular. Beautiful heavily-ruffled yellow bitone with edging of lace. Heart of flower bright yellow shading off to white. Completely winter hardy. Has fertile pollen; sets seed excellently. Start now to add this effective frilling to Iris of other colors. Also cross with Spooned & Flounced Iris. [(Rameses x Far West) x Hall 42-35] X Zantha] Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25**

ARGUS PHEASANT (DeForest '48) EM-38" **'52 DYKES**. Exceptionally large bright golden Argus brown. In color page 32. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **85c**

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GOLDEN ALPS (Brummitt '55) ML-36" **'57 DYKES**. A very contrasty bi-color yellow—almost an amoena—of great distinction. Standards creamy-white & falls deep yellow, making it quite similar to the well known Mystic Melody but with larger, brighter & more broadly petaled flowers. Has been widely acclaimed in England, at the show in Florence, Italy, & throughout the United States. Now it's ready for your garden. [Admiration X ?] Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$2.85**

BENTON CORDELIA (Morris) 42" **'55 DYKES**. An innovation among pinks, and different from any American variety. Dark mauve buds open to a milky orchid-pink, with deep rosy-tangerine beards. Delicate and pure as a jewel, with faultless poise and form, yet it grows robustly to a good height. A stalk of Benton Cordelia shimmering in the sun is a sight of utter loveliness! [Benton Petunia X Radiation] Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**

ARABI PASHA (Anley '53) M-ML-36" **'53 DYKES**. Rich, deep cornflower blue with a blue beard. A smooth finished, nicely tailored flower with most velvety falls of any blue to date. Likely to remain the best deep blue for a long time. [(Blue Ensign x Windermere) X Blue Ensign] Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.35**

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BLUEBIRD BLUE M-36" A large, non-fading, hardy, very clear shade of medium blue. A good seed parent. HM'54; JC'55. Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25**

BLUE FRECKLES (Schortman '55) EM-38" Fetching white-ground plicata, clear blue markings. Ruffled flowers, closed standards, semi-flaring falls. Good branching. With this parentage, I would suspect re-blooming tendencies. [(Snow Flurry x Blue Shimmer) X (Tiffany x Gibson Girl)] Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

BLUE INTENSITY (Austin '58) E-M-36" Often attains flower height of 7 inches. An intense, bright blue. Simply wonderful for effective garden display, due to brightness of color, large size of flowers, abundance of flower stalks and number of flowers per stalk. From Berkeley Blue X Chivalry, thus sister of my twice-blooming BLUE SURPRISE (page 8) in a brighter hue. It's fragrant, too, sets seeds heavily. Regularly \$4.00; on \$15 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$7.15**

BOLD CONTRAST (Linse '54) ML-40" See Ektachrome. A beautiful variegata. Standards clear bright gold; falls blackish maroon red, with partial edging of yellow, orange yellow beard. A bold, stunning contrast in colors. Pollen plentiful. HM'55; JC'56 [Extraganza X Rajah Brooke] Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$5.55**

BRAVE BANNER (Porreca '59) EM-39" A hardy 1959 introduction from New York. A heavenly deep violet-blue, combining good form, heavy substance, and branching galore to make a prize winner, both on the show bench and in the garden. Won Certificate of Excellence from Empire State Iris Society in '58. Flowers ruffled and well proportioned. HC'58. [Snow Flurry X Chivalry] Regularly \$17.50; on \$25 order **\$11.65; 3 for \$31.45**

BRIGADOON (Tompkins '55) E-L-38" My nomination for brightest Iris now available anywhere. A delightfully smooth blend of bright fuchsia-red, amethyst-violet, true purple. Very large, yet beautifully formed, softly ruffled petals of heavy substance. HC'54; HM'55 Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**

BRIGHT HOUR (Douglas '52) ML-37" Stunning amoena. Large, beautifully formed flowers of great color value. Standards pure silvery white; falls vibrant purple, with snow-white border. Beard bright yellow. Pollen often good. HM'53; RU-AM'56 [Cook 129-42 X Criterion] Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.40**

BUTTERHORN (Sass '55) M-38" A lemon ice that will take your breath away. Ground color like icy white velvet, petals edged with broad band of pure lemon-gold. Most beautiful of this type that I have ever seen. Pollen profuse. HM'55 [White and pink plicata sdg. X soft pastel plicata sdg.] Regularly \$6.00; on \$15 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$10.05**

CALDRON (Schreiner '57) M-36" An exceptionally vivid new red self of good size & fine height. Approaches red from copper side. Possess exceptional vigor & a nicely branched stalk, something very scarce in reds. Has been found to be a splendid parent for new reds. [(Ethiop Queen x Ranger) X (Garden Glory x Cordovan)] Reg. \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$2.85**

CAROLINE JANE — Popular blue plicata, see Colossals, page 18.

CASA MORENA M-38" Huge, rich chestnut-brown, glowing like an ember. Heavy bloomer. Fertile. AM'46 Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **85c**

CASTLEWOOD (Becherer '57) M-36" Splendid violet-black. One of the smoothest Iris—not a mark of any kind—even beard is deep blue. Fine form, easy to grow & fast increase, giving you a clump of black beauties in a hurry. [Sporting News X Zulu] Regularly \$8.00; on \$15 order **\$5.35; 3 for \$13.65**

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CELESTIA (Pierce '55) EM-38" A light blue of remarkably pure blue. Extremely heavy substance. A real beauty, broad arched standards, ruffled horizontal falls. Mrs. Hinckly reports from Illinois: "This has everything one would want in a blue iris." Coveted by more people than any other blue. HM'55; RU-Cook Mem. Cup '57; RU-AM'58 [Snow Flurry x Lake Shannon] X (Helen McGregor x Chivalry)] Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

CHIPPITICA (Noyd '56) ML-30" A delightful plicata, very useful to hybridizers. Standards glistening gold, flushed brown. Falls light yellow with stippling of cinnamon brown. Rapid of increase, giving a very colorful clump. Pollen profuse. [Chippewa X Coritica] Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25**

CINNAMON TOAST (Sass '53) ML-36" Big, bold plicata of remarkable perfection of form and coloring. Deep cream with a broad border of rich red brown, so heavily sanded it is nearly solid. Heavy substance and satiny finish. A robust grower, well branched stalks. HM'53 Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.40**

CLOUDLESS SKY (Watkins-Graves '55) M-39" Superb, very pure light Cerulean blue. A sister of The Citadel, having the same large size and lovely form, but is more heavily ruffled. Very appealing. Pollen fertile, a ready seed-setter. [Helen McKenzie X Jane Phillips] Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.05**

CONGO (Schreiner '53) M-40" A real achievement—very first large nearly black, with a reddish sheen. Fully 50% larger than most blacks. Gloriously rich; of excellent form, branching. [Ethiopia Queen X Velvet Dusk] Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

CONQUEROR (Wells '58) ML-36" A large very flaring new red of good quality with an interesting bronze beard. Reminds one of the deep coal red of crimson Maple leaves in the fall. A plant of rapid growth giving abundant bloom. Should prove very useful in breeding Re-Bloomers as its parentage includes no less than 4 re-blooming varieties, shown in bold type. Pollen plentiful. [Involving China Maid, Tiffany, Rich Raiment, Molten, Savage & Rosired] Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95**

CRESCENDO (Tompkins '55) ML-38" The loveliest and nearest approach to true red of any of Chet's fine reds. A self, between Carmine and Ox-blood red, beard dark yellow, tipped brown. Flowers large, excellently formed, broad full petals, heavy substance, velvety finish. Produces stalks 38" to 40" high with perfect branching. Strong tendency for re-blooming in fall. HM'55 [Manana X Garden Glory] ..Reg. \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

CROWN POINT (Tompkins '58) ML-38" A remarkable new plicata that is proving to be very well liked. Broad snowy-white petals are pure & clean, untouched by any color other than the clear sky-blue of a broad border of stitching, a contrast that is sharpened by a full, quite unusual white beard, set against blue stitching of broad ruffled haft. Excellent bloom placement & branching. Hardy. A fast increaser, & a prolific bloomer. [Lela Dixon X Dotted Swiss] Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**

DANCING TIGER (Schreiner '53) M-38" Very large jewel-bright plicata with ground color that is really yellow. There is a stunning lightly-cut half inch border of penny brown with fine slender lines on the edge of the falls. A big improvement in the yellow plicatas Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$2.85**

DARK BOATMAN (Cook '54) M-L-34" One of the very finest of Paul Cook's black series. Standards blackish-violet; falls velvety black, with tinge of violet. Hafts clean; beard dark violet. A good seed parent, already yielding the new Allegiance & Blue Raven. AM'56; JC'55 [Black Forest X Sdlg. involving Modoc, Sable, Black Wings] Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

DARK CHOCOLATE (Murray '54) EM-38" A beautifully formed flower that is a great advance in this color class. A clean, dark chocolate color—as dark as Baker's chocolate, very large and tall, with good branching and very heavy substance. Very profuse flowering, often producing 3 or 4 stalks from a single rhizome. Rich, dark and commandingly different! HM'54; AM'59 [Tobacco Road X Grand Marshal] Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$2.35**

DARK HALO (Tompkins '56) M-38" Final result of a long line of breeding to produce a white plicata with very dark border on both standards & falls. Pure white ground with a faint breathlike hint of cream & a broad border around both the standards & falls of such a dark purple that even at a short distance it appears black. Flowers large, of excellent form & finish, with extra heavy substance. A very different Iris, sure to attract a great deal of attention in your garden. Stalks tall, well branched. Completely hardy. Parentage indicates it may breed Re-Bloomers. [Involving Tiffany, Prairie Sunset, Amitola, etc.] Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$7.10**

DEFIANCE (Tompkins '53) ML-34" A red bright and true. Frequently characterized as: "purest red I have ever seen." A dark cardinal self, standards almost as deep as falls. Velvety texture, excellent form, substance; stands the sun. Will create a sensation in YOUR garden. Rhizomes quite small. Pollen abundant. Sets seed, being heavily used by expert hybridizers. Has already yielded High Barbaree, Stampede, Rampage, Devil's Tongue & Turbo Fire. HM'53 [Manana X Technicolor] ..Reg. \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.55**

DREAMY (Linse '53) ML-37" A flaring, ruffled flower with a texture like a bowl of freshly popped popcorn. A white fresh and pure, even to beard. Field wide open to incorporate this novel texture in Iris of other colors. Should be excellent breeder. JC'57; RU-AM'58; AM'59 [Snow Flurry X Cloud Castle] .. Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.55**

ELEANOR'S PRIDE (Watkins '56) M-42" Tied for '60 Dykes. Superb light blue, beautifully shaped. Petals ruffled, of great weather resistance. A clump gives a most extraordinary tricolor effect, due to medium blue buds, light blue freshly opened blooms, and pure clean white of day-old flowers. JC'57; AM'58 [Jane Phillips X Blue Rhythm] Regularly \$9.00; on \$15 order **\$5.95; 3 for \$15.15**

ENCHANTED PEARL (Brown '56) E-L-36" A beautiful iridescent gleaming pearly blue-white with such heavy leathery substance the flowers last for days, even in wind and rain. The ruffled, horizontally flaring falls give it much grace and charm. Stalks carry so many buds it begins blooming with the earliest and ends with the latest. [Snow Flurry X Chivalry] Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

FABULOUS (Kleinsorge '58) ML-36" Yes, this new Iris is certainly fabulous, for its pageant of color is remindful of the splendor in a scene from Arabian Nights. A red blend resembling Oriental Glory, but considerably redder & more vivid, & with a striking blue signal. Flowers very large, in Kleinsorge Garden where it originated it was regularly termed a "gasper." It would, indeed, be hard to find any other Iris that will brighten up your garden as will Fabulous. Try it & see. HM'58 [Oriental Glory X (General Patton x Cordovan)] Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**

FANCYANCY (Austin '53) EM-42" Largest and finest self-colored Fancy I have ever seen, a flower of elegance and refinement. Standards silvery lilac, well substantiated, beautifully waved. Falls deep amethyst, veined in white over entire surface. Superb branching. Surpasses almost all other Iris in vigor of growth and luxuriant nearly ever-green foliage. Ideal parent for transmitting real vigor of growth to your seedlings. Comes from the same cross that yielded 5 of my Horned Iris, namely [JS-M-176B X 638] Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.90**

"Fancyancy began blooming April 3 from 6 leaf growths—had 3 blooming stalks with 13, 9, 9 flowers, totaling 31 blooms from 1 rhizome and bloomed till April 30. Everyone loved it." Mrs. F. D. Powell, Phoenix, Arizona.

✱**FATHER RIGNEY** (Bro. Charles '56) M-42" A very large, rich, deep violet self with dark brown blotch high up on the shoulders. Beard violet tipped white. A stately, richly colored Iris that is an exceptionally vigorous grower—tall, straight, and well branched. [Violet Sdlg. 51-43 X Fay Sdlg. 51-6] ..Reg. \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$1.95; 3 for \$4.95**

FINEST HOUR (Stevens '58) EM-40" Here, believe it or not, is the world's first red white amoena. Comes from the magic touch of Mrs. Stevens in New Zealand, who produced the first yellow & white amoena. Standards snow-white, faintly flushed lemon-chartreuse. Falls sharply flaring bronzy red. Beard bright yellow. May re-bloom late. Pollen plentiful. Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$6.75**

FIRE FLURRY (Rees '57) M-42" A big, showy red that should prove a boon to hybridizers, particularly those working for improved plicatas. Carries the size, ruffling, height & vigor of famed Snow Flurry into plicata lines, with much better branching—3 branches and a terminal. A spectacular flower with standards in light red & falls in intense ruby red with prominent white haft markings giving distinction & beauty to the flower. Large, heavily ruffled & flaring. Tall, well branched stalks. A clump of this is a sight long to remember. Try crossing with varieties like Taholah & Zulu Warrior. [Snow Flurry X Fire Dance] Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95**

FORTUNE'S GIFT — Gigantic brown, with Colossals, page 18.

FROLIC (Schreiner '52) ML-36" Brightest, most impressive of yellow-ground plicatas—almost only one with solid yellow background & deft brown stipplings. Simply stunning for exotic orchid-like corsages, or for table decorations. Don't be without it! [Firecracker X (Magic Carpet x Tiffany)] Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$2.10; 3 for \$6.00**

FRONTIER DAYS (Tompkins '53) M to L-30" A hue near to cardinal red with a sleek and glossy finish that gives great brilliance and carrying power. Flowers very large with broad petals and flaring form. Substance very heavy. An excellent grower. [Bandit X Technicolor] Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

GALILEE (Fay '56) ML-34" A suddenly-famous Iris. Reached top of Awards of Merit in '58. Proved a real sensation in various parts of the country. Frequently reported to be closest to true blue yet achieved. When Esmond Jones of Australia visited this country he said "Galilee called me back time and again, and I can say without reservation, that this is the finest Iris I have ever seen." This amazing blue-blue has tiny turquoise veins radiating throughout the flower, making it distinctive & attractive. You'll want this one. Sets seed, but no pollen. JC'57; AM'58 [Butterfly Blue X Bluebird Blue] Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$18.95**

GAYLORD (Douglas '49) L-38" Hard to surpass in the amoena class. Standards white, Falls reddish-violet to deep blue-violet with a hairline of white around the edge. Beautifully ruffled and flared. Best parent of this type. HM'49 [Extravaganza X Wabash] Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25**

GENE WILD (Craig '52) ML-36" Standards light red, large, round and waved, slightly open, exposing bright violet ridge down center of yellow style arms. Falls flaring, deep rich crimson with white veins brushed on a yellow ground. Beard nearly white. Finest Iris in the fancy pattern released to date! Pollen plentiful. JC'55; RU-AM'58 [Rich Raiment X Joseph's Mantle] Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$2.25**

GLACIER QUEEN (Awalt '58) 36" A huge new white that has attracted a great deal of attention. A nicely ruffled, cool white with very flaring falls. Its fine substance causes it to hold up extra well. When you see Snow Flurry in the parentage, you know it will make a fine breeder. [Snow Flurry X Golden Madonna] Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$5.95**

GLISTENING COPPER (Muhlestein '53) ML-34" A bright, gay, smoothly finished copper. Many browns are quite dull, but this has that much-desired, very intense, almost fiery, coloring. Already proving a sensational parent for rich coppers, browns, reds & blends. Since it has Prairie Sunset behind it, may yield Re-Bloomers. HC'51 [Honeyflow X (Prairie Sunset x Tobacco Road)] Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.90**

GOLD CUP (Murray '56) EM-38" I can recommend this very highly as the very best yellow I saw at the '56 A.I.S. Los Angeles Convention. It was a runner-up for the President's Cup, so is very popular. A huge flower in deep golden-yellow, with flaring falls and heavy substance. Flowers long-lasting. HM'56; JC'57; AM'59 [Brazil x Grand Marshal] X Tobacco Road] Regularly \$4.00; on \$15 order **\$2.65**

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GOLD SOVEREIGN ML-28" A wonderful, inexpensive team-mate to plant beside **Green Pastures** to effectively bring out the green in the latter. Deep yellowish-orange, stands out like a beacon light. **AM'53**.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **85c**

GOLDEN ALPS — Widely acclaimed '57 **Dykes**. See page 31.

GOLDEN BALLET (Austin '58) EM-M-38" A livelier, more golden version of well-known Ballet Dancer. A sumptuous, stunning flower measuring 6½" across. Substance very heavy, especially in the flaring falls. Standards golden-buff, with intriguing hint of pink. Falls buff-yellow, becoming bright orange-yellow at haft. A beauty! [Ballet Dancer X Flamingo No. TP-31].....Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$2.70**

GOLDEN PERCH (Craig '50) ML-44" One of Tom Craig's finest. A superb blend of orange and Henna-brown, blazed blue. Already fabulous. [Shady Lady X Cascade Splendor].....Regularly \$8.00; on \$15 order **\$5.35; 3 for \$13.65**

GOLDEN STAIRS (Crandall '57) EM-44" A gorgeous new one from the Northwest; has proved to be a real traffic stopper. Stalks very tall, & produce an abundance of deep golden yellow flowers with an attractive tan influence. Splendid full form that is hard to beat. Under good growing conditions, flowers will greet you at eye level, above 5 feet. Try it at the back of your new bed. [Bryce Canyon X (National White x Spring Sunshine)].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$3.30**

GRAND COULEE (Plough '58) ML-34" A novel & very lovely blend of peach-cream & buff suffused with salmon & rose. Flowers exceptionally large. Very heavily ruffled. Attractive blaze in center of each fall. Very heavy substance, with broad, almost round, falls, nicely flaring. Comes from that superb Dykes Medalist, the tangerine-bearded Mary Randall. Pollen profuse. **HM'59; RU-JC'60** [Futuramic X Mary Randall].....Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$11.95; 3 for \$34.05**

GRAND TETON — Largest yellow Iris, with **Colossals**, page 18.

GREAT DAY ML-36" Rich, glowing carmine. Heavy non-burning substance. Rich, glossy, carmine-black overtones. Well-branched stalks. **HC'52; HM'53**.....Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

HAPPY MEETING (Lyon '55) ML-36" A highly ruffled plicata with exceptionally heavy substance and attractive color. Ruffling so dense it takes two days for a flower to open fully. This same ruffling stiffens flowers so that they last 4 days after opening. Standards old ivory, heavily sprayed violet. Falls white-white with a solid ¼" edging of deep violet. Beard tipped in blue. Splendid branching, size and form. **HC'53; HM'55** [Lovellace X New Hope].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.50**

HELEN NOVAK (Hinkle '57) M-38" Here is a flower such as one dreams about but seldom sees. A ruffled, waxy, finely chiseled medium blue with a surprising blue tipped beard. Very large, rounded, with closed standards & nearly horizontal falls. Its fine poise & garden qualities make it a center of attraction. **HM'58** [Zara X Regina Maria].....Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$11.25; 3 for \$32.05**

HIGH BARBAREE (Tompkins '58) E-L-38" This is decidedly my personal favorite of the many new reds that have been appearing in recent years. So I took a color photograph of it and have reproduced it on page 31 for you in all its glory. Not only is this the nearest to true red, but it is also the nearest to a true self with standards almost as deep as the falls—a very desirable, but seldom seen, characteristic. Color is between currant red & carmine. Entire flower has a very finished smooth appearance. Bright yellow beard contrasts smartly with petal color. Flowers large, with nicely arched, closed standards & semi-flaring falls. Stalks widely branched, & while some of them are strictly erect, others may be quite spreading so that the stalks from a two-year clump from a single rhizome often make a stunning cluster five feet across—something that is hard to equal anywhere in the Iris world. Pollen abundant. You can be sure that I am working this overtime in my crosses to produce an equally fine Re-Blooming red. **HC'57; HM'58** [(Sunstone x Colorlo) X Defiance].....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**

HUNTSMAN (Sass '55) M-36" A very intriguing new color described as a dark blackish-brown self that may also be termed a "chocolate red." Massive ruffled flowers with heavy substance. Beard bronzy-gold. Most outstanding and different! Pollen good. **HM'55**.....Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.05**

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HOLY SMOKE (Smith '58) M-36" Ideally suited to artistic flower arrangements. Novel silvery-grey appearance fits it for use in almost any color scheme, particularly in pastel treatments. Also useful as a garden harmonizer between bold colors. A silvery gray with lilac wash on falls & chartreuse-old gold flush at base of standards & on hafts, beard bright orange. Unusual & different. [Jane Phillips X Thotmes III].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.55**

IVORY BLACK (DeForest '57) M-36" The newest arrival in the contenders for the blackest Iris. Extraordinarily wide, rounded, flaring, velvety falls, remarkably black. Hafts wide & clean. Standards closed, blackish violet. Size, form, substance and clean haft all combine to make this Iris a standout. [(Her Grace x Sable) x Storm King] X (Her Grace x Black Forest).....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$18.95**

IVORY SUPREME (Carpenter '53) ML-38" An outstanding, very smooth, creamy yellow with remarkably flaring falls. Standards nicely domed, falls wide, ruffled & velvety. Well branched and very floriferous. **HC'50; HM'53** [On Guard X Ming Yellow].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$3.30**

JAN HESS (Watkins-Graves '55) M-39" Stunning—practically without competition in its class. A broadly formed medium blue bitone. Deeper and richer than Helen McGregor. Firm substantiated blooms well spaced on tall, well-branched stalks. Fertile both ways. [Jane Phillips X Chivalry].....Regularly \$4.00; on \$15 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$6.75**

JOAN CRAWFORD (Benson '54) M-40" Exquisite finely chiseled silvery-blue. Presents a picture of loveliness and serenity comparable to its namesake who unhesitatingly selected it as her favorite. Honeysuckle-scented, full petaled, heavily substantiated and very stylish. Standards domed and fully closed; falls semi-flared and attractively rippled. **HC'52; HM'56** [Tosca X (Azure Skies x Great Lakes)].....Regularly \$6.00; on \$15 order **\$3.95**

LADY ROGERS (Rogers '54) EML-36" This winner of the Franklin Cook Memorial Award in '59 has often been characterized as "the most outstanding blue"; some have voted for it for the Dykes Medal. A very large & stylishly formed flower of true light blue, with a satin finish & white beard. Petals exceedingly broad, substance very heavy, giving it wonderful lasting qualities. A real winner from a former president of the A.I.S. Should be a wonderful breeder for both blues & whites. **HM'54; AM'58** [Helen McGregor X Sylvia Murray].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$4.75**

*****Tall Bearded STAR PERFORMER*****

LADY RUFFLES (Schirmer '53) EM-36" The loveliest and heaviest-ruffled of any ruffled Iris in our garden. See in color. A "must" for those who love the highly ruffled Iris. A gardenia-like white so beautifully waved and ruffled it reminds one of organdy graduation gowns. Simply gorgeous! [Snow Flurry X 14A].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.70**

LADY RUFFLES

A Lady in a ruffled gown
Should be a belle in dell or town...

This charming iris now is classed
A ruffled beauty unsurpassed.
—George Nicholas Rees

LATE SNOW L-VL-42" A dependable large late white that greatly prolongs the season of white Iris in the garden.Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **95c**

MELISSA (Hinkle '56) M-36" A top-notch, new blue. Flowers large, self colored medium to deep blue, very well formed, exceptionally broad, flaring falls. Excellent branching and flower placement. One of my favorites. Fertile both ways. **HM'58; RU-AM'60** [Zara natural set].....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**

MELODRAMA (Cook '56) 40" Here at last I am able to present the first release of a Cook seedling from the Progenitor line. Mr. Cook tells us few Iris in his garden ever attracted as much attention as this big spectacular seedling. The large size & broad rounded segments remind one of its seed parent, Dreamcastle, but of a very different color—a bitone with standards a pale bluish violet at top, gradually deepening to deep violet of the flaring falls. Always attracts Iris fanciers. Likely to create a stir wherever shown, so you'd better add it to your "must" list. **AM'58; RU-Dykes'60** [Dreamcastle X Progenitor sdg.].....Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$14.25**

MYSTIC LEGEND (Webster '55) M-40" Large, ruffled light lavender blue, shaded grey in falls. Hint of green around dove grey beard. Fascinating!.....Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.85**

MERRY LYNN (Till '58) E-M-L-40" A lovely, distinctive pinkish-lavender or rosy light blue. Beard harmonizing cream. Heavy stalks carry large, waved flowers to perfection. Foliage vigorous, rhizomes healthy. Ormohr being a parent of White Leather gives this a dash of adventure for hybridizers. Pods easily; pollen highly potent. **HM'59; JC'60** [White Leather x Sdlg.] X Snow Goddess]. . . . Reg. \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**

MISCHIEF (Reinhardt '55) ML-34" See in color, page 33. A very striking variegata in a completely new color combination that is a real color break. Standards brilliant golden-yellow; falls intense red-orange, flaring, with no haft markings. At Salt Lake A.I.S. Convention it was declared the **brightest Iris ever seen**. Orange beard; good substance, stands all weather conditions. A prolific grower and good seed setter, with plenty of pollen. [Red Torch X Gypsy]. . . . Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

MONIQUE (McKee '56) ML-38" Wide yellow amoena with white standards, clear medium-yellow falls. Nicely ruffled. Final outcome of Mr. McKee's work in line breeding for four generations, involving mainly inbreeding with variety Fairday. Should be highly useful for crosses with Stevens, Wills and Brummitt Iris in this color range. This is one of my sensational **EXTRA PREMIUMS**. This or **UNICORN** is available free on all orders of \$15.00 or more mailed within 15 days. See page 20. . . . Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$4.25**

MONKSHOOD (Emery '55) ML-38" A large, beautiful light blue with domed standards, flaring falls. Standards clean Moonshood blue; falls a shade darker. Broad, full petaled. Most attractive, highly praised wherever grown for the wealth of bloom & clear blue color. **HC'54; HM'55** [Blue Monarch x Gloriole] X Campanula]. . . . Regularly \$4.50; on \$15 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$8.40**

NIGHT 'N DAY (DeForest '55) L-36" From top to bottom of the color range. Standards palest hortense violet; falls fluorite violet, black overlay. Near-amoena, large, smooth flowers on tall well-branched stalks. Quite distinct. [Extravaganza X Casa Morena x General Patton]. . . . Regularly \$6.00; on \$15 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$10.05**

OLYMPIC TORCH (Schreiner '58) ML-38" Named for the ancient Hellenic symbol which burns during Olympic games. This dazzling novelty carries the browns to new heights of vividness undreamed of a few years ago. Visitors are bowled over with the exuberance of its beauty & brilliance of coloring. A glowing light golden-bronze of massive size, skyrocket height, & ideal branching. Possesses lavishly beautiful form such as is seldom seen, with crisply cupped standards & broadly flaring falls, delightfully ruffled. No doubt about it, if you add this to your garden, it will soon become your pride & joy. **JC'59; AM'60** [Inca Chief X Watchfire sdg.]. . . . Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**

ONLY THIS (Craig '54) EM-50" The name comes from the characterization made by the late Professor Mitchell that if Tom Craig bred "only this" his reputation would be made. A huge, very tall, clear orchid-pink blend. Extremely prolific in its bloom, often sending up several flower stalks from a single rhizome. **HC** [Prairie Sunset X Brilliant Amber]. . . . Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

ON PARADE (Crosby '56) ML-33" A smooth, very stunning new variegata with rich yellow standards & deep brown-red falls, free from veining. Very fine & surely one of the best of its type. Very showy, with wide flowers of good size. A most unexpected coloring to come from two amoena parents, so may be exceptionally useful to hybridizers for crossing with both variegatas & amoenas. [Louise Blake X Step Up]. . . . Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$4.75**

OYSTER PEARL (Reinhardt '56) M-ML-44" A beautiful Iris with a coloring to fit the name. A pearly-white with a faint cast of pink in falls. Very heavy substance; yellow beard. Blooms last a full week; withstands all weather conditions. Fragrant. Good breeder. **CC'55** [Snow Flurry X Chantilly]. . . . Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**

PACEMAKER EM-36" A bright red self, exceptionally smooth, possessing a silken-like finish. Pollen fertile; sets seed. **HM'50**. . . . Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **95c**

PASTEL SUPREME (Becherer '58) ML-36" A fascinating blend of yellow and pink in soft pastel tones. Perfect four-way branching and placement of blooms. A fine increaser and a good parent. Takes all kinds of weather. [Marouita X Pink Formal]. . . . Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

PERSIAN ROBE (Sass '55) M-36" A striking break from usual amoenas, this is in predominantly red tones. Standards pale buff flushed rose, lightening at edges to golden pink; falls of rich maroon, buff pink border. Will appeal to the connoisseur looking for something really different. Useful in breeding new things. Pollen plentiful. [Two seedling amoenas]. . . . Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

PIERRE MENARD M-38" Large blue Iris. A deep medium blue self with wonderful enamel finish. A lovely wave to the petals. **RU Dykes '53**. . . . Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **80c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5.00**

POLKA TIME (Schortman '58) EM-L-36" If you have been searching for the finest in ruffled Iris, this is it; you need look no further. The most heavily ruffled deep-colored Iris we have, & a picture of beauty. A gorgeous bitoned violet with attractive white area in falls. Has quality & class that sets it well apart from ordinary Iris. To see it is to want it. And this is the year to get it! **RU-JC'59; RU-AM'60** [Snow Flurry x Violet Symphony] X (Sable x Chivalry)]. . . . Regularly \$25.00; on \$35 order **\$21.25**

PRETENDER (Cook '51) ML-36" One of the rare "blue-failed variegatas." Unique bi-color, yellow standards, falls deep blue violet. **AM'55**. . . . Reg. \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

PRETTY QUADROON (Kleinsorge '48) ML-36" A revelation in lovely color harmonies, superb beautifully ruffled form. A light coppery brown, smooth and appealing. **HM'48; AM'50** [Mexico X Tobacco Road]. In color. . . . Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25**

PRINCESS ANNE (Zurbrigg '58) ML-34" A super-hardy Canadian Iris worthy of its royal name, falls measuring 3 1/4" across, hafts 2 1/4" wide. A bicolor beauty in yellow and white. A flower of quality and charm. The yellow of the standards is very clear and clean; white in falls set off by border of same color as standards. Will set pods, but it is easier as pollen parent. Pollen parent of **Carmel Sundae**. **JC'59; RU-AM'60** [Cascade Splendor X Armour Bright]. . . . Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$25.35**

RASPBERRY RIBBON (Schreiner '51) EM-34" Standards raspberry. Falls dazzling white with wide edging of pure raspberry. **HM'51; AM'55**. See color plate. . . . Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$6.25**

RED CHIEFTAIN (Sass '55) M-37" Glistening mahogany-red with great carrying power. Petals have lacquer-like finish, rich yellow beard. Standards domed; falls semi-horizontal flaring up a bit at tips, giving flowers a winged appearance. Extra heavy substance gives blooms a long life. Long pedigree includes Midwest Gem, The Red Douglas, Solid Mahogany, Prairie Sunset. With this diversified blood should be a fascinating flower for hybridizers. . . . Regularly \$4.50; on \$15 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$7.95**

REGINA MARIA (Hinkle '55) M-36" Sensation of the blues at Salt Lake Convention. A clump of this will draw a crowd in a hurry. A very smooth medium blue with broad heavy petals and heavy substance. Nicely branched. Elegance personified. Pollen of Regina Maria on Zara has yielded both **Demetria** & **Helen Novak**; reciprocal cross gave **Intrigue**. **HM'55; AM'57** [Azure Skies X Pierre Menard]. . . . Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**

REHOBETH (DeForest '53) M-36" An unbeatable, superb new blue-white, described as "soul satisfying." Flowers of almost ethereal beauty measure up to 7" and over, of leather-like substance and satin sheen. Very dependable bloomer. Pollen parent of **Poet's Dream**. **AM'56; RU-Dykes'58 & '60** [Snow Flurry X Lake Shannon]. . . . Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.70; 3 for \$4.85**

RIVIERA (Plough '57) ML-34" Large Dresden yellow, with a blue-white center to the falls that tends to give it a greenish cast. Falls large and rounded with edges lightly laced. This has been so well liked that it was a runner-up for the Judges' Choice in '58, and received 51 votes in the '59 Judges' Choice—a group of Iris which are the elite of the really new ones. So don't pass this up. [(Gold Ruffles x Cherie) X Twenty Grand]. . . . Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$13.55**

ROSABELLA E-48" Deep rose red self, haft flushed metallic copper; bronze orange beard. Very large, extra broad standards and falls. **HM'52**. . . . Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **80c; 3 for \$2.30; 10 for \$5.00**

ROSE GARLAND (Wills '54) M-40" Very large rose bitone. Standards rose opal, coppery undertone. Falls velvety rosy crimson with a bright yellow beard. Well branched. I use this a great deal in my crossing. Sometimes re-blooms in Aug. Pollen plentiful. [Hoosier Sunrise X (Prairie Sunset x Lancaster)]. . . . Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00; 3 for \$2.85; 10 for \$7.50**

RUFFLED ORGANDY (Brenan '53) E to L-42" An Iris with spontaneous appeal. I show it to you in natural color, page 35. It has a perfection & beauty of color & form that can hardly be duplicated by any other Bearded Iris. A highly ruffled ivory-cream with pearly undertone, light gold border. Falls large, beautifully rounded. Tall 42" stalks with unbelievably fine 5-way branching & up to 23 buds. This insures a very long blooming season, which will usually extend for at least a month. Winter hardy. Fertile both ways. With such blood cannot miss as a good breeder. Made to order for hybridizers eager to cross with Oncobreds; already has close to perfect form with height & superb branching. No breeder should pass up an opportunity like this! A sell-out EVERY year; order early! **HM'53; AM'55** [Gilt Edge X (Snow Flurry x Nylon)]. . . . Regularly \$2.25; on \$15 order **\$1.75**

RUFFLED TAFFETA (Miss '54) EM-42" An exceptionally large deep pinkish lavender of such remarkable substance that it can best be compared to the heaviest taffeta. Imagine this cloth drawn into ruffles more artful and appealing than any human hand can make and you have an idea of the effect of this unique flower. Also, like taffeta, the color varies. Beard cream colored. Very tall stalks with fine low branching. **HM'55; JC'56; AM'59** [(Snow Flurry x Great Lakes) X Lake Tenaya]. . . . Regularly \$4.50; on \$15 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$8.40**

RUTH COUFFER (Craig '56) M-36" A vibrant deep red that is about as red as any I have yet seen. Flowers of large size with heavy substance and fine form and branching. Quality like this will go far. Grand breeding possibilities. [Savage X Cordovan]. . . . Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

SABLE NIGHT — See **DYKES MEDAL** winners, page 31.

SEATHWAITE — Renowned '57 **DYKES** Medalist. See page 31.

SIERRA SKIES (Schortman '54) E-M-38" Crowding hard for the top position among all blues. Third from top in '56 Awards of Merit; a runner-up for '58 Dykes. In opinion of Geddes Douglas, the nearest approach we yet have to spectrum blue. Flowers beautifully formed with a very pleasing wave. Stalks tall, strong, carrying flowers to perfection. A blue that cannot be praised too highly. **AM'56; RU-Dykes'58** [(Santa Barbara x Sierra Blue) X Chivalry]. . . . Regularly \$4.00; on \$15 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$7.55**

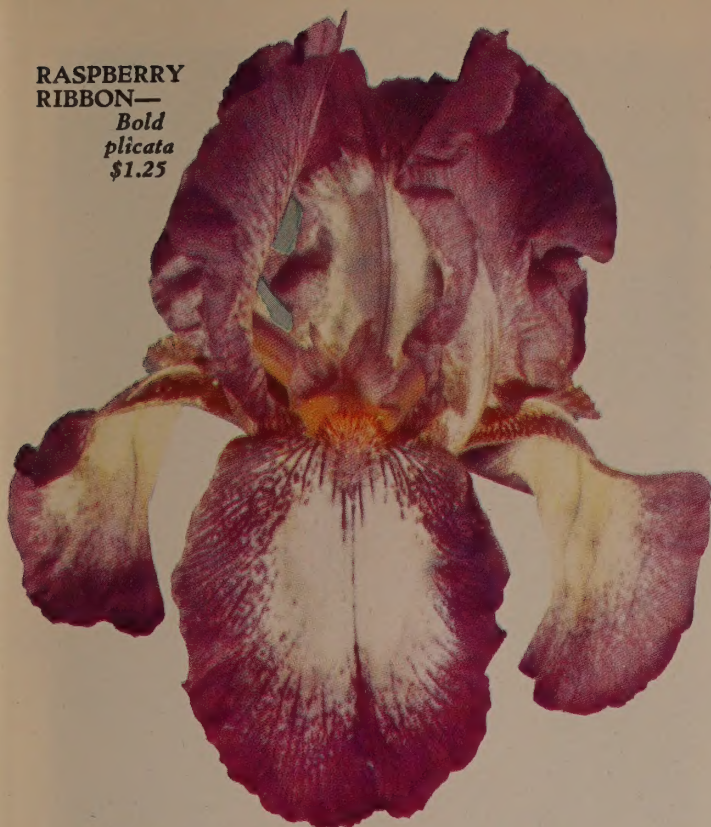
SKY CRYSTAL (Sass '55) M-38" A flower of gardenia-like texture and whiteness, with just enough sky blue to give a pale blue tint. Standards broad, beautifully domed; falls semi-flaring, broad, rounded, extremely wide hafts. Branching excellent. **HC'54; HM'55** [Involving Snowking & Snosheen]. . . . Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

PRETTY QUADROON
\$1.75



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RIBBON—**

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SNOW FLURRY E to M-42" Glorious blue-white; unsurpassed as a parent. Dozens of fine descendants. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40; 10 for \$5.00**

SNOW GODDESS — Finest immense white, see *Colossals*, page 19.

SOLID MAHOGANY E to M-36" Very finest inexpensive red. You'll love it. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **80c; 3 for \$2.30; 10 for \$5.00**

SOUTH PACIFIC (Smith '54) ML-40" So outstanding, was introduced at \$50.00. Now that stock has increased you can get it for 1/10th this amount. Several fanciers stated it is bluest Iris they have seen. Wiloh Wilkes reports from Southern California "It is the most outstanding light blue Tall Bearded Iris seen in this area." Full rounded falls flare widely. A fragrant Iris, very ruffled & lovely. RU-AM'57; AM'58 [Cahokia X Lady Ilse].... Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.75**

SPANISH FANDANGO (Kleinsorge '51) M-48" Swirling, ruffly affair in brilliant copper yellow, vivid chestnut-red. Rampant grower, plenty of good wide branching, lots of big frilled blooms. All you have to do is plant this dazzling near-variegata in your garden & all eyes will be upon it! HM'52 [Mexico X Sdlg.]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

★**SPANISH PEAKS** ML-38" Huge very pure white; famous. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **80c; 3 for \$2.30; 10 for \$5.00**

SUNSET BLAZE VE-42" A huge golden flame-salmon blend so brilliant it is almost red. Nicely ruffled. RU-Dykes'53..... Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **90c**

SURPRISE PARTY (Kleinsorge '55) M-36" An exciting color combination. Imagine rosy lilac standards, apricot-yellow falls. HM'56; JC'57 [(Chambis x Cascade Splendor) X Opal Cloud]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$2.35**

SWAN BALLET — See *DKYES MEDAL* winners, page 31.

SYMPHONY (Hinkle '58) M-36" Widely heralded light blue closely approaching spectrum blue. Is to the eye what a serene pastoral symphony is to the ear. A self with suggestion of a light area at the beard. Here is real beauty; wonderful form, substance. A new Iris that will make a name for itself. Be among the first to enjoy it. HM'58 [Cahokia x Azure Skies] X Melissa]..... Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$28.35**

TABASCO M-38" A stunning fancy; may be likened to paprika sprinkled over an omelet. Deep yellow with sprinkling of rich orange-red. HM'54..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

TABU (Schreiner '54) M-38" A self in ebony blue-black. A supremely luxurious velvety flower that you will be proud to have in your garden. HM'54; JC'55 [Black Forest X Storm King]..... Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

TAHOLAH (Gibson '56) ML-36" A big ruffled novelty, long period of bloom. A stunning yellow-cream plicata. Standards heavily shaded cinnamon-red; falls brushed with same. Vigorous performer of superb form and color. Wonderful producer of quality when seed-production can be induced. Indian name means "Village by the Sea." JC'57; AM'58 [Sdlg. X Firecracker]..... Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$5.60; 3 for \$15.95**

THE CITADEL (Watkins-Graves '54) M-38" A most beautiful pure white imaginable—a magnificent large white of intense purity, having no other color, even in the heart of the flower. Has been characterized as the whitest of all white Iris. Flowers heavy substandard & beautifully formed, with flaring falls. This is quality plus. JC'55; AM'59 [Helen McKenzie X Jane Phillips]..Reg. \$4.50; on \$15 order **\$2.95**

THOTMES III (Kleinsorge '50) ML-40" A gigantic Iris with extra broad falls & heavy texture in a glistening golden brown with an illusive iridescence. Silver medal at London Iris Show. HM'51; AM'53 [Mexico X Kleinsorge 314]..... Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.40**

TOWN TALK (Lapham '54) M-38" May well be finest of the tall reds. Not quite as true a red as Mr. Lapham's Ylem but much larger, taller. Standards have a slightly bronzy tint. Falls velvety, rich flame or tomato red with lighter edging. Beard harmonizing golden-bronze. Petals broad, excellent substance. Has already bred some startling seedlings. No pollen but sets seeds well. Plant Town Talk & it will soon be the talk of your town. [Drum Major X P. Cook 745]..... Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$8.40**

TISTOPS (Craig '57) EM-38" Has a rich, almost unbelievable blend of many colors. You will covet it for its richness and the variety of tone. French lilac dominates the many colors playing in this mingling of tones. In the standards are hints of burgundy, lavender and rose; in the falls java-brown is washed over the smooth hafts, continues lightly along the edges of the falls. An Iris of unbelievable smoothness and the heaviest substance imaginable. With both Ball Gown and Savage in the parentage, this may tend to re-bloom and it surely has the ideal genetic constitution for crossing with Summer and Autumn Bloomers to obtain still finer repeat-bloomers. [(Ball Gown x (Savage x Cordovan) X (Savage x Cordovan)]..... Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95**

TOP HAT (Schreiner '54) ML-38" Schreiner's largest & tallest black to date. No haft markings, a dark beard. Very velvety & luxurious. JC'55; RU-AM'57..... Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25**

TRIM — Don't miss this superb patented red, blue box, page 30.

VIKING (Nelson '57) EML-42" A huge plicata that is distinctly different. White ground dotted & shaded Dauphin's Violet. Style arms solid dark violet, prominently displayed against the light flower. In spite of great size, has fine shape & holds itself well. One you'll be proud to have in your garden. HC'56 [(Blue Shimmer x Chivalry) X Rose Ames]..... Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$7.10**

VIOLET HARMONY — See *DKYES MEDAL* winners, page 31.

VIOLET HAVEN (Reynolds '57) EML-38" Several of the Haven Iris are quite noteworthy but the one that will stop you in your tracks is this Violet Haven—beautifully formed violet flowers with wonderful substance, heavy ramrod stalks. It takes quite an Iris to grow beside Violet Harmony & First Violet & match them both in color, size & substance, & at the same time add a delightful ruffling, but Violet Haven will do just that. JC'57; AM'59 [Pierre Menard X Danube Wave]..... Regularly \$12.50; on \$15 order **\$11.85**

WHITE BOUQUET (Hinkle '57) ML-38" A huge creamy white self, even to the beard. Buds & underside of falls are green. So fine that it has often been reported as the "best new white seen." Standards nicely domed; falls have extremely wide hafts, placing it definitely with the truly modern Iris. Splendid substance & excellent branching. HM'57; RU-JC'58 [Spanish Peaks X First Affection]..... Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$6.35; 3 for \$18.10**

WHITE PEACOCK (Pattison '52) M-38" BIG ruffled flowers of near-perfection are a vision of loveliness. Color pure snow white. Falls very flaring, with spread of 7½". Cook Mem. Cup'56, RU-DYKES'56, '57 & '58 [Katherine Fay X Lady Boscawen]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.60; 3 for \$4.55**

WIDE WORLD (Cook '54) M-38" A new color break in a blue and white reversed bicolor that is scheduled to bring forth as many enthusiastic "ohs" and "ahs" as did Dave Hall's pinks when they were first seen. Low branched. Pollen abundant, so now you can easily get imbricate blood into your hybrids. HM'54 [Iris Imbricata sdlg. X Tall Bearded blue]..... Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35**

YLEM (Lapham '54) ML-36" This is undoubtedly the truest & nearest to spectrum red of any Iris yet introduced. Glows even on a cloudy day. Color actually approaches scarlet, a color advance sought for decades. Unlike most reds, has constancy & purity of a self; even has smooth clean hafts. Standards have a satiny finish; falls quite velvety. Everyone will want it just for the color. Has abundant pollen. Try crossing with High Barbaree, Defiance & Bang, & you may well end up with that super-red. Pollen is usually very good; seed-setting marvelous. [Relentless X Pacemaker]..... Regularly \$4.50; on \$15 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$8.40**

MY FAVORITE TALL BEARDED — *SPECIAL No. 30* — Explained on page 2. I'll make up for YOU amazingly generous assortments of my personal favorites in TALL BEARDED Iris for.....**\$5.00, \$10.00, \$25.00, \$50.00 or \$100.00**, as you prefer.

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RUFFLED ORGANDY—Page 34
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FLAMINGO PINKS with Tangerine-Beards

BRIGHT FUCHSIA (Austin '57) ML-40" Brightest of my fuchsia pinks, of extra large size. Standards arched, meeting, having embossed pebbled effect around edges. Much improved Fuchsia, smoother, brighter flower, redder beard. Fuchsia is only 24" to 30" high; this is up to 42". A good seed setter, plenty of pollen. Parents as famous as they come. [Cherie X Pink Formal]...Reg. \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.55**

CATHEDRAL BELLS (Wallace '53) M-38" A light begonia-pink or shrimp pink. One of the topnotch pinks in the lighter tones. Falls flare horizontally; edges serrated. Passes its good qualities on to its progeny. HM'53; AM'56 [(Hagen Blend x Overture) X (Golden Spangle x Pink Tower)]...\$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.25; 3, \$3.55**

★ **CHERRY FLIP** E-34" A real color gem, among the pinkest of Flamingos. A soft enamel sheen, a fiery tangerine beard give it distinction. Most effective as a landscape subject. Very free blooming..... Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.55; 10 for \$6.25**

DAWN PINK (Nesmith '53) ML-38" Even deeper in color than Courtier. The bright color has great carrying power. Many visitors claim this to be the pinkest Iris in the garden. A bitone, standards clear shell pink, falls deeper azalea pink, nonfading. Beard red tangerine. A very heavy bloomer. HC'52; HM'53 [(Barbara Luddy x 43-25A) X Courtier]..... Regularly \$4.00; on \$15 order **\$2.65; 3 for \$7.55**

FLAMINGO BAY (Muhlestein '53) EM-36" Certainly among the best of Tell's famous strain of new pinks. A vivid deep flamingo self, with a deep tangerine beard. Flower large with fine form and substance. Pollen good. [Cherie X Pink Formal]..... Regularly \$4.00; on \$15 order **\$3.60**

FLIRTATION (Benson '56) M-38" This is for those who want lots of color in their pinks as it is perhaps the deepest pink yet. A luscious intense deep pink self with a fiery red beard. Flowers large, of good substance and with clean hafts. Stalks sturdy, branched. A rapid increaser. The intense color stands fast thruout the life of the flower. Already proving a fine parent; produces heavily ruffled and laced pink offspring. HC'50; HM'56 [Involving Pink Formal and Hall Sdls.]..... Regularly \$6.00; on \$15 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$10.05**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY (Hall '52) EM-ML-36" Close to top of Dave Hall's creations. Imagine a flower in the deep rich coloring of Heritage but twice as large. Flowers are beautifully ruffled. Has lots of vigor, will form a heavy blooming clump for you in a hurry. Very long blooming season. May repeat in fall. Far surpasses all other non-horned Iris as potent parent producing advanced spooned & flounced Iris when crossed with members of my 3 horned races. AM'54; RU-Dykes'56 '57 '59 [From Hall flamingo pinks]...\$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00**

JUNE MEREDITH (Muhlestein '54) ML-36" My favorite! Believed to be the pinkest flamingo to date, and acclaimed by many for its depth and purity of color. A heavy tangerine-red beard adds greatly to the effectiveness of the bright coloring. One of the few real advances in deep flamingo pinks. Flowers large, with broad petals and excellent form and substance. Pollen produced profusely. JC'55; AM'56; TOP RU-Dykes both '58 & '59 [Party Dress X Pink Fulfillment]..... Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$3.15**

MARY RANDALL — The Dykes-winning Tangerine-Bearded, page 31.

★ **MAY HALL** (Hall '54) M-36" Color clear and bright—a light pink near that of Happy Birthday, but with different form and vivid tangerine beard. Close to true pink, slightly salmon. A good seed-setter, much in demand. Fine branching. JC'55; AM'56 [Dolly Varden X 49-13]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$1.65**

MEMPHIS BELLE (Pierce '52) EM-36" A bright raspberry-rose-pink of great garden value, with a bright tangerine beard. Its extreme floriferousness is its crowning virtue. Characterized by Mrs. Reynolds as "The largest, tallest, lustiest pink I've seen." HC'51; HM'52 [Fantasy X Pink Cameo]..... Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.50**

★ **MISSION ROSE** (Bro. Charles '55) ML-36" A seedling of Mary Randall with a brighter and better old rose color and taller stalks with more flowers. Falls lighter in the center and adorned with bright red beard. Substance good; a strong grower, producing perfectly branched stems. [Mary Randall X D. Hall pink sdg.]..... Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.70**



PINK SYMPHONY—Sometimes summer bloom, too.

PINK SYMPHONY (Austin '57) VE-38" While not a regular or certain Summer Re-Bloomer, in some years it will amaze you with some flowers practically every week from the 4th of July till Thanksgiving. Its main glory of heavy bloom is, however, in the spring. Feast your eyes on my color plate, see what you've been missing in YOUR Iris garden. Very best of my softly colored flamingo seedlings. Surpasses most in effectiveness & size, being 5½" high. Like an improved Strathmore. Imagine a flower nearly twice the size, with a scarlet-tangerine beard much brighter, larger, more prominent. Substance very good retaining precise styling for a long period. Pollen abundant. [Pink Sensation X Nelson No. 47]. You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words. See page 24..... Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95**

ORIENTAL PEARL (Lyon '56) M-38" A light medium orient pink with a flush of coral pink; beard deep mars orange. Greatly admired by visitors. Beautifully branched from low down, 4 branches & terminal. Sets seed. HC'55; HM'57 [(Spindrift x Hall pink sdg.) x Carabella] X Pink Formal]..... Regularly \$8.00; on \$15 order **\$5.35; 3 for \$13.65**

★ **PARADISE PINK** L-32" The pinkest \$1.00 Iris and one no beginner should pass up. Beard red-tangerine...Reg. \$1.00; on \$15 order **80c; 3 for \$2.15; 10 for \$5.00**



← **COLOR CARNIVAL** EM-36" Stop traffic with a flamboyant Iris; plant COLOR CARNIVAL where passersby can get a look at it! One you are bound to have sooner or later. Sets seed, pollen fertile. HM'50..... Reg. \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70; 10 for \$6.25**

★ **STRATHMORE** (Morris '49) → EM-33" See color plate. A flower of remarkable purity & trueness of color. Exceptionally smooth, precise styling. A good seed setter & pollen parent. Very high among desirable parents in breeding flamingo pinks, to bring in fresh blood from overseas. Personally selected & named by H. M. Queen Mother Elizabeth. [Edward of Windsor X Hall Pink seedling]...Reg. \$2.75; on \$15 order **\$2.25; 3, \$6.40**

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★ **PINK CAVALIER** (Wallace '55) ML-50" A tall, showy, reddish-salmon-pink, with a flaming straw-berry-red beard. Buds intense red salmon. Flowers 5½ to 6". Many of blooms meet one at eye level. Will improve height & branching in your breeding. Has lace-edged Midwest Gem in pedigree! [Hall's 41-10 x Midwest Gem] X Orange Pink Seedling]...Reg. \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$1.65; 3 for \$4.20**

★★★★★ Tangerine-Bearded STAR PERFORMER ★★★★★

★ **PINK CHIMES** (Hall '57) M-34" Reminds one of the very pink Pink Sensation, but flower is considerably larger, color a deeper, truer pink. Smooth overlay of old gold near base of standards. No veining, beard fiery tangerine. Prolific in growth, very free flowering. If you can find a new pink with more genuine spontaneous appeal than Pink Chimes, I'd certainly like to know about it. HM'57.

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PINK ENCHANTMENT (Muhlestein '54) E-M-34" Deepest & truest in color of any pink I have seen. Not as large as June Meredith, or Pink Fulfillment, nor as well formed; but the color alone will simply bowl you over. A brilliant cerise pink beard adds to the already stunning color. A remarkable parent for deepening pink color. Pollen usually good. Has already yielded the enchanting Frosted Lace. JC'55; AM'57 [Raspberry Ice Cream X 49-11]...Reg. \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$28.35**

PINK FORMAL E-L-40" Finest dollar pink with red beard. Outstanding for color, substance and seed-setting ability. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **95c**

PINK FULFILLMENT (Muhlestein '54) ML-38" See color photo. Tell's fabulous flamingo, winner of '54 President's Cup, scarce & in heavy demand ever since. I advise ordering the day this catalog reaches you. A pink that sets a new standard for size, substance, quality, real beauty. Full round, flaring flowers with broad, heavily-substantiated petals. Comes from Pink Formal, but is a truer pink, has finer quality, substance. Proving to be one of the most remarkable breeders for superb new pinks ever known. The one cross "Party Dress X Pink Fulfillment" has already yielded at least three very outstanding Iris: June Meredith, First Curtain and Late Apricot. Now it's your turn to get in on the excitement! HM'54; AM'56 [Involving Gold Ruffles, Alice Harding and Type Dore]...Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$25.35**

PINK SENSATION E-33" A true, light pink, sporting bright orange-red beard. Novel lacinated petal edges. HM'50; AM'52. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **95c**

ROSE SAILS (Pierce '55) M-36" A seedling of Memphis Belle, it is more rose in color & with same fine growing habits. Standards closed, falls very flaring. Highly praised by experts. Pollen plentiful. HC'53; JC'58 [Memphis Belle X Twilight Sky]...Reg. \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.35; 3 for \$6.70**

TANGERINE CARNIVAL (Austin '57) ML-34" At last, an Iris that outdoes Color

Carnival in real attention-getting ability. In color, below. Standards & falls light pink; falls almost completely covered with purple veins, giving a highly distinctive effect. Falls remarkably broad, with width carrying right up to haft. Branching good, plenty of pollen. [Color Carnival X Clasmont]...Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **2 for \$5.00; on \$25 order 3 for \$5.00**

FEATURE OFFERING in Tangerine Bearded

WIDE AWAKE (Lapham '53) M-36" Probably the most stunning of all the new pinks, from the viewpoint of its huge flame-scarlet beard. Here is an Iris that will make a conversation piece in any garden. A beautifully formed light buff pink; slightly ruffled; excellent texture and substance. HM'53 [Premier Peach x (Isabellina x Spindrift) X Paradise Pink]...Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

WINGED FUCHSIA (Austin '57) ML-42" A bright fuchsia-pink self with a red-tangerine beard. In color at right. Falls so heavily substantiated they flare out like the wings of a bird in flight, giving the flower a six inch spread. A clump of this is so bright & colorful that it stands out across the garden & attracts everyone's attention. Horizontal falls are beautifully waved & have a quaint dip in the center. You'll love this one! Pollen abundant. [Radiation X Pink Formal]...Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **2 for \$7.50; on \$25 order 3 for \$7.50**

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PINK FULFILLMENT

Tangerine-Bearded WHITES & CREAMS

SNOWY REDBEARD (Austin '61) E-38" Introduced this year in my Milestone Series as a stepping stone toward more perfect Iris. Technically not a fancier's Iris as standards are a little too open, falls not as broad & flaring as they might be. But... for sheer beauty & sharp color contrast, it actually surpasses most notable named varieties as Frost and Flame & Snowfire. In any flower of this type the beard is the crowning feature. The beard of Snowy Redbeard is a brighter, redder tangerine, is heavier & longer, & extends farther down on the falls, for a very startling effect. I am introducing this heavy bloomer at a moderate price so backyard gardeners can begin now decorating their gardens with a pure white with a brilliant red-tangerine beard—the dream of Iris breeders for decades. Pollen profuse. [Cloudcap X Palomino]...Reg. \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$14.10**

FROST and FLAME (Hall '57) EM-38" Topped Judges Choice list in '58 and was at the top of the AM list in '59. A snow-white self of fine quality, deep tangerine beard. Flowers heavy substantiated, beautifully poised on tall stems. Striking new beauty, the elite of all in this class. Pollen fertile, being used by many breeders. Noteworthy descendant: Kiss of Fire. JC'58; AM'59 [From Hall Sdgs.]...Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95**

GAY PAREE (Plough '56) M-38" The widely heralded gay colorful carnival affair you've been waiting for—a snowy white self with overlay of chartreuse gold. Beard heavy, geranium-red. Branching low, excellent. Already the parent of some startling seedlings. Fertile both ways. HM'56 [(Hall Pink Sdlg. x The Capitol) X (Loomis Pink Sdlg. x Golden Eagle)]...Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **2 for \$2.50**

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GAY LAVINIA (Schreiber '54) ML-38" A glowing pure white with a red beard. Exuberantly rich tangerine-red beard provides distinction as contrasty as paprika on a bowl of fluffy snow-white rice. Be among the first to display this original creation. **HM'56** [Inspiration X (32-46 x Cherry Flip)].....Regularly \$2.50; on \$15 order **\$2.35**

MISS UTAH (Wallace '56) ML-34" Pale pink, almost a white with a suggestion of light orchid tones. Beard strawberry-tangerine. Has the finest ruffling & fluting found in this class. Great breeding possibilities. Pollen good. [Cathedral Bells X Crosby No. 52-6].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$8.55**

PIANISSIMO (Edmison '54) M-35" A hardy Canadian break in color. Standards pale peach; falls white bordered with an amber-peach band, sporting a white beard tipped with peach. Try placing it with whites or pale blues, & watch its lovely color sing. Abundantly fertile.....Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

PRETTY GAY (Plough '57) ML-34" A surprise from a cross of two pinks, a pure white with a fiery red beard. No haft markings to mar chaste beauty. Petals broad, well substantiated. A grand Iris. Fertile both ways. **HM'57; HC'55** [Party Dress X Mary Randall].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$4.75**

SNOW FIRE (DeForest '56) M-36" A lovely pure white with a tangerine-red beard. A self of good size and fine substance. May yield some giants among its offspring. [Cluff sdlg. X Cloudcap].....\$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.90**

Tangerine-Bearded YELLOWS

CHINESE LANTERN (Fay '57) M-40" From Dykes Medal Mary Randall crossed with famous Techny Chimes, which gives it superb blood for the hybridizer. Large smooth deep yellow, sporting a tangerine beard. Vigorous, producing tall, well branched stalks. Wonderful substance and remarkable lasting quality. **HM'58** [Mary Randall X Techny Chimes].....Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$6.35**

FLAMING GOLD (Austin '57) See in full color. M-L-42" Standards creamy yellow, with hint of pink. Falls glistening light yellow with deep yellow hafts, a large brilliant orange-tangerine beard. Tangerine beard very striking against yellow ground. Standards closed, falls semi-flaring, gently waved. Starts blooming early; still going strong when late ones come out. Branching excellent. Will stop your neighbors in their tracks. Has pollen, sets seed. [Cloudcap X Hi-Time] You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words. See page 24.....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$18.95**

GARDEN GOLD (Hall '56) M-36" Large full flower in solid deep chrome-yellow extending thruout flower except for startling fiery orange-red beard. Greatly admired. Should prove wonderful for crossing with my Flaming Gold to obtain the ultimate in red-bearded yellows. **HM'58; RU-AM'60** [Hall 50-04 X May Hall].....Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35; 3 for \$3.65**

TECHNY CHIMES (Bro. Charles '55) EM-36" Will call you magnetically from across the garden. Large clear luminous yellow, startling orange-tangerine beard. We've had yellows with yellow or white beards for decades but these new ones with tangerine beards attract a lot more attention. Flower full, perfectly formed; standards and falls slightly ruffled. Substance, branching both good. Tied for '60 Dykes [Involving: Sunray, Dolly Varden, Overture, etc.].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$4.75**

Tangerine-Bearded APRICOTS

APRICOT GLORY ML-36" Clear rich apricot, deepening at heart of flower. Substance heavy, falls nicely flaring. An excellent parent. **AM'56**.....Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c; 3 for \$2.70**

CONVENTION QUEEN (Muhlestein '54) M-L-40" Very large, broad-petaled, heavily laced, rich apricot salmon, with excellent substance. Beard red-tangerine. Tell's best from cross that gave some true pinks with pink beards. **HM'55; JC'56** [Salmon Shell X Pink Fulfillment].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.95**

FESTOON (Hall '58) EM-36" Truly a luscious blend of caramel, peach and salmon-pink with extra heavy tangerine-red beard & crimped & ruffled edges of both standards & falls. Coloring is positively mouth-watering! Sometimes re-blooms in late fall or early winter. **HM'59; RU, JC'60** [Pink Sdlg. X Pink Sdlg.].....Regularly \$6.00; on \$15 order **\$5.70**

FLAMING BEARD (Noyd '58) L-28" A new origination that takes my fancy. May prove more useful to the breeder of better pinks than any other recent release. Remarkable feature is amazing red-tangerine beard extending farther down on falls than beard of any other Iris. Color is peachy apricot with a strong contrast between the color of the beard and that of the falls. A real attention-getter. I'm using it heavily in my crossings. A good seed setter with abundant pollen. [(Buffawn x Pink Seedling) x New Horizon] X Salmon Shell].....Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**

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FLAMING GOLD—New, startling—

GAIL (Jensen '56) ML-36" The very finest bright orange self with a red-tangerine beard that has bloomed here at Rainbow Gardens. Flowers large, wide & smooth with ruffled petals & excellent substance. So fine it was introduced at \$35.00. Will add a new color note to your garden. Pollen plentiful. **HC'55; HM'57** [Apricot Glory X Dolly Varden].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$3.30**

GLITTERING AMBER (Hamblen '57) M-34" A stunning apricot-amber that fairly glitters. Has so much color, personality & charm it has been winning awards for years; was on the JC list in '58 & reached the AM in '59; in '60 it was awarded the HM in Florence, Italy. A very scarce item but I have finally built up my stock enough so I can offer it this year for the first time. I suggest ordering immediately if you want this. Very wide of parts with lots of lace and ruffling. A real knockout. **AM'59; HM'60** [Palomino X sib to June Meredith].....Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$14.25**

MELODY LANE EM-36" Quite often re-blooms in Summer, so you'll find color plate on page 5. Ideal for adding an entirely new color note to YOUR Iris Rainbow. Pleasingly fragrant. A splendid seed setter, exceptionally fertile pollen. **HM'50; AM'52**.....Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **\$1.00**

"Melody Lane is exquisite and all that your catalog claims it to be. You may be interested in knowing, too, that it proved to be by far my strongest grower and most profuse bloomer. The rhizome you sent me produced ten flower stalks, not one of which had less than seven blossoms, and all were perfect in color and formation. Satisfactory is hardly the word."—Page G. Nourse, Newark, Delaware.

ORANGE CREAMO (Muhlestein '53) ML-38" A luscious apricot-orange color gem of very heavy substance, satiny finish. Very close to the true orange, a color that carries very well. Superb blood for pinks, rose-orchid shades, and orange tones. No haft markings, beard orange. **HC'52** [Salmon Shell x Pink Formal] X Apricot Glory].....Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$2.55; 3 for \$7.25**

PALOMINO (Hall '52) E-M-36" Color pattern so distinct it stands out. Standards coppery pink sharply contrasting with ivory falls prominently bordered in coppery amber. Beard rich red-tangerine, bright as a bonfire, wonderfully effective against ivory falls. A huge Iris of splendid form & substance, with such a marvelous color effect that it will indeed transform any garden. Some feel that the Flamingos are too much alike, but Palomino has no counterpart. To see it is to want it! My color picture shows you why. **AM'54; RU-Dykes'56, '57, '58, '59** [Hi-Time X 46-31].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.10**

TOP FLIGHT M-34" A luscious smooth apricot pink. Beard fiery orange-red, very thick and heavy. Indescribably beautiful. **AM'55**.....Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

VALIMAR (Hamblen '58) M-36" A superb, rich, very smooth lovely apricot pink with a heavy red-tangerine beard, that is very vivid & striking. Falls ruffled, flaring out almost to the horizontal due to extraordinarily heavy substance. Shows perfect ruffling & firmly closed standards, with prolific bloom on well-branched stalks. Has performed splendidly in both western & eastern parts of our country. One of most sought of Iris at present time. Has some tendency to re-bloom. A glance at parentage indicates wonderful breeding possibilities. **HM'58; AM'60** [Helen McGregor x Radiation] X Palomino].....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.50**

For Tangerine-Bearded BLUES, see page 12

My Favorite Tangerine-Bearded—No. 52—See page 2. Amazingly generous assortments in my personal Tangerine-Bearded favorites for

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PINK MOHR (Austin '56) M to L-24" See in color. Pinkest Oncobred with real Mohr form & very visible Onco characteristics. A large flower, much like Elmohr, but bright orchid-pink instead of purple. Even "mohr" Onco-like than Elmohr, as it has ½ inch soft rosy mulberry signal. Resembles Present, but much pinker, brighter. Nearly horizontal falls sometimes spreading out to 7". Beard bronzy-yellow. Rhizomes quite small. [Cherie X Capitola].....Regularly \$4.00; on \$15 order **\$2.95**

"I like all my iris I've got from you and must add my voice in praise of Real Gold. It stopped people cold in my show garden this spring. Two large clumps had loads of bloom and looked like double iris, with four and five standards and five and six falls." Susan Anderson, Sunny Place Gardens. Des Moines, Iowa.

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TRUE GOLD (Austin '61) VE-E-38" If you like my Real Gold (above) you'll simply love my new True Gold, for it is a much earlier, much taller & much more flaring flower in almost the same unique true gold color, rather than yellow. While Real Gold came from Golden Majesty X Capitola, this descends from Palomino X Joppa Parrot, which accounts fully for the unmistakable "Onco look" that characterizes Oncobreds carrying genes from their Onco ancestors. While most derivatives of Joppa Parrot are short, True Gold produces an abundance of tall stalks, 36" to 40" high. Usually 3 flowers out at once at different heights. Thus a clump makes an exceedingly colorful sight in true gold coloring, before any Tall Bearded are out. Falls nicely rounded. Beard heavy, bright orange. Pollen plentiful. With parents as famous as they come, & with these attributes, it should be a superb breeder's Iris, too.....Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$28.35**

ALBINO GIRL (Noyd '59) EM-32" A startling surprise—a ruffled white with a green line up with the midrib, & a very wide red-tangerine tipped white beard. Really unusual! Will set some seed. [Center Glow X Sib.].....Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$9.00**

ALLEGRIA VE-15" In appearance very much like the wonderful Onco-like Susiana Hybrid pictured on page 13. But this is an Oncoglelia, the only one we find we can grow without slightest difficulty along with our summer-irrigated Bearded Iris. You can handle it this way, or as an Aril, with no summer water. Reddest of Oncogelias, very round & Onco-like. Visitors take it for a true Onco. A beauty. 32 chromosomes. [Artemis (Oncogelia) X Ricardi (Bearded)].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.75**

A. Z. WELLS (Noyd '53) ML-28" Gigantic, colorful purple bitone, deep black-purple falls, yellow beard. Easy, fertile pod parent. [Ormoir X Indian Hills].....Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25; 3 for \$3.55**

BLUE ABALONE (Austin '55) EM to M-32" The wondrous varying colorings of an abalone shell in tones of blue. Standards pale lilac blue. Falls deep lilac blue; heavy bright tangerine beard. [Elmoir X Abalone Shell].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **95c**

BLUE GATE (Plough '60) EM-32" A sport of Eastmont that is very reminiscent of the true onco, Gatesii, but in shades of greyed blue. Diffused, wide, oncolike mustard brown beard. Extremely fertile both ways. Stamens huge, loaded with pollen; seed pods immense, 3½" long. Will be widely sought by hybridizers since most Capitola derivatives are of very limited fertility. Be among the first to use it...Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$14.25**

BLUMOHR (Marx '49) L-36" Unveined Plumbago blue. From Tennessee comes report: "It is a perfect thing—the color of the Cattleya orchid." Pollen abundant. HM'49; AM'52 [Wm. Mohr X Orloff].....Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.40**

CLEMENTINA — See in full color with Flat Bearded on page 28.

BON VOYAGE (Plough '59) M-34" An Iris of great charm; will appeal to those who like tender colors. Like an orchid for milady. Imagine a white Iris flushed with pale rosy violet at edges of standards & at top of falls, & remember if you can, the quiet clean coloring of the very old variety Candlelight. A blue tipped style & pale beard add to charm of this new beauty. HM'60; RU-JC'60 [(Ormoir x Flora Campbell) x Heritage) X Mary Randall].....Regularly \$8.50; on \$15 order **\$5.65; 3 for \$16.10**

BUTTERFLY WINGS (White '46) M-36" Captivating as wings of a tropical butterfly, veining from grandparent, Susiana. Above, translucent lilac blue—below, rich parchment veined in mulberry, crimson & russet. Exotic charm of Oncos on yard-high well branched stalks. Fine seed-setter. I have a wide array of seedlings, including my Scarlet Butterfly. Now you try it. Out-sold all other Oncobreds. Order NOW; later will be too late. 48 chromosomes. HM'47 [(Pink Jadu x Susiana) X (Theme x Sacramento)] See Ektachrome.....Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **\$1.00**

★**CENTER GLOW** (Noyd '57) ML-32" One of the first to have both bright tangerine beard & lacy petal edges; it is quite fascinating. A ruffled cream self with glowing haft of peachy apricot. Petal edges serrated & lightly laced. Very pleasing fragrance, good substance & fine branching.....Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order **\$1.95**

CINNA-MAC (Hopson '57) EM-24" Ever since I saw this at Los Angeles National Iris Convention, I've been wanting to catalog it. So here it is, for first time, & I know you'll be as delighted as I have been. A stunning Onco-like Oncobred, with opalescent standards & gold falls. If you were at Los Angeles Convention, you'll remember how the shutter-bugs clustered around this one. Note that it has Tiffany in its lineage; so it may breed Re-Bloomers. HC'56; HM'57 [(Tiffany x White Ruffles) X lb Mac].....Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95**

DEEP CRIMSON (Austin '60) EML-38" Outstanding among Oncobreds for the richness and depth of the crimson-red coloring, surpassing in redness such fine varieties as Red Joppa and New Look. Large flowers produced in profusion on remarkably tall stalks for an Oncobred. Starts blooming early and continues to well past midseason. Note parentage and see what a gem you have for hybridizing; lots of pollen. [Pink Formal X Capitola].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.95**

FEATURE OFFERING in Oncobreds

ENGRAVED (Craig '52) EM-28" An Onco-plicata that is surprisingly effective. White ground with an over-all network of crisp steel engraving in pearly violet. A two year plant often makes a clump with as many as 14 tall bloomstalks. Will be a feature in any garden. HM'53; '59 & '60 White Award RU. [Mariposa Mia X Capitola]...\$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35**

Why not let your friends order with you so you can easily get your combined order up to at least \$25.00, where the super Premiums become available, and where the maximum benefits really pile up? Others do, why not you?

ELMOHR ML-35" A '45 Dykes winner, most popular of the Mohrs, for only a dollar! An enormous Iris of perfect form in Bishop's purple. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **95c**

FRONT ROW (Linse '58) EM-26" A sister to fabulous Ozie Waters, should soon gain renown of its own. Color is also in red range, being a mauve-rose self, with a distinct **ruby signal patch**, & **brown gold beard ending in a slight crest**. Not very tall, but has a spread of 8"; falls are 3¾" wide. Highly fertile & potentially useful to the breeder. [Spellbound X Capitola]. Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65**

GIANT MOHR — Like a gigantic, tall, fertile Wm. Mohr, page 18.

GOLD OF OPHIR (Austin '56) M-L-40" Coloring & profusion of bloom remind one of a tall hedge of old-fashioned Gold of Ophir roses, so loaded with rich golden flowers that hardly a leaf shows. Gives a wonderful mass of color in a short time. In 2 years each rhizome yields a big clump of 8 to 12 tall stalks, about 60 flowers & buds. I know of no other Oncobred that can do this. Flowers not large, but so plentiful, so colorful, everyone stands in admiration. Standards **deep yellow**, falls **bright yellow washed reddish orange**. Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **95c**

"Forgive me if I add a word of praise for your wonderful hybrid, Gold of Ophir. It was the star attraction of my garden this year." William Shear, Coudersport, Penn.

GOLDEN GLADIATOR (Craig '58) ML-28" Here's the Oncobred that won Seedling Cup in Region 14 in '57. Probably **finest yellow Oncobred derivative** & surely the best pod-child yet produced from Lady Mohr. Big globular flowers in clean barium yellow. **Falls extremely wide & flaring**, flowers easily measure 8½" across. If you like the glory of real Oncobreds, you'll just love this one. **HC'57; HM'58** [Lady Mohr X Goldbeater]. Regularly \$20.00; on \$30 order **\$18.95**

GOLDEN JOPPA (Linse '58) EM-35" A hybridizer's dream! Surely one of the very finest of the many descendants of the justly famous, but difficult to grow, Joppa Parrot. Fortunately this is **very vigorous** & has **huge globular 8" flowers with form of Gatesii & color of Pinnacle!** Standards creamy white; falls straw yellow with a hint of elusive green in center. Heavy golden bronze beard. Very fertile & will soon be in use by hybridizers everywhere. Be among the first to try it. [((Extravaganza x Rajah Brooke) x Sib) X Joppa Parrot]. Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$26.85**

HYBRIDIZER'S SEEDLING VE-28" As records of origin were lost in our fire, I am offering this as a seedling to help out Arilbred hybridizers, & without official naming. It is so Onco-like, when I had an acre of pure Oncos, I used to grow it with them, but unlike them, it stayed green all summer & fall. An **exceedingly Onco-like bright yellow Oncobred**, unmistakably of Onco origin as it has a **bronzy-gold beard ¾" wide**, & below this a small **cinnamon signal**. All petals rather fully, but softly splashed in purple. I am using this heavily in my crossing as I doubt if I have any other Oncobred so Onco-like & so **fertile in its pollen & as a seedsetter**. I certainly recommend this to all who may have been having trouble getting "takes" with Oncobreds. Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.55**

IB MAC TRUE (Van Tubergen) EE-13" This true form is a **big globular flower**, deep rosy violet, **resembling its offspring Capitola**, but more striking. Has an **intensely black signal patch** & other Onco attributes. **One of most potent Oncobred pollen parents**. Beard wide, Oncolike diffuse, brown. Leaves white-based, strongly sickle-shaped. Pollen highly fertile. Rhizomes small. [Iberica X Macrantha]. Regularly \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25**

INCANDESCENT (Plough '58) EM-26" Well named for this is indeed a beauty with a glowing appeal. Standards straw yellow; falls dark brownish yellow with a molasses red overlay radiating out from beard like a diffused signal. Beard yellow-brown. **Use this to brighten up your garden and spotlight attention.** [Inca Chief X Asoka of Nepal]. Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95; 3 for \$12.60**

JOPPA PARROT — Discontinued because too difficult to grow. Try Bali Agha, in color on this page—almost identical to Joppa Parrot, much taller, ever so much easier to grow. Also, for **real thrills**, try some of **readily-grown** descendants of Joppa Parrot: **True Gold**, page 39; **Red Joppa**, page 42; **Golden Joppa**, this page; **Black Joppa**, page 41.

BALI AGHA — See page 41.



BUTTERFLY WINGS — Colorful Oncobred — \$1.25

L'AMOHR (Craig '54) EM-32" A real delight for those searching for a pink Mohr. Cream pink with burnished gold dust on falls. Like a **pink Lady Mohr with a red-violet signal**. Pollen plentiful; has set seed when crossed with Kalifa Gulnare & Kalifa Kabul. [Lady Mohr X Tangerine Bearded Pink Sdlg.]. Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.35**

MAGIC LIGHT (Austin '55) EM-30" Highly interesting **Oncogeliabred** from crossing Oncogelia Theseus with pollen of Tall Bearded Pink Formal. Standards bewitching **silvery-pink, veined dark crimson**. Falls **silvery rose, misty crimson** in center, darkening to a **blackish maroon signal**, bronze beard. Veining gives the charm of Theseus in a hybrid readily grown along with Bearded Iris. Hardy. Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **2 for \$5.00; on \$25 order 3 for \$5.00**

MARY McLELLAN — '59 C. G. White Award. See **Colossals**, page 19.

MISS MARTHA (McLeod '59) VE-21" A rare & highly interesting **Regeliabred**. Standards light raspberry, veined in maroon; falls creamy-white changing to light raspberry, veined in maroon & with veins **converging to form a signal patch** at tip of dark bronze beard. Has breeding possibilities. [(Anndelia x True Delight) X Korolkowi Violaecae]. Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.75; 3 for \$10.70**

MOHR AFFAIR EM-33" A direct descendant of Wm. Mohr in rich wine color, with perfectly formed flowers. Stalks erect, well branched. Hardy. **HM'53**. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**

MOHR BEAUTY LM-36" A yellow Oncobred with Onco form. A glistening, ruffled pale yellow with white signal. **HM'53**. Reg. \$1.00; on \$15 order **85c; 3 for \$2.40; 10 for \$5.00**

NEVERMOHR (Craig '55) EM-44" Seldom, indeed, have I seen an Iris of such huge proportions that blooms so heavily & produces such a **wonderful mass of dark violet, almost black flowers**. Tops for creating a sensational effect in your garden. [Purissima X Capitola]. Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$5.95**

NEW LOOK (Johnson '52) M-ML-34" Standards heavily subenced, deep wine-red, upright. **Large yellow style arms**. Exquisite tracery of veins & dots. Falls flaring, heavily subenced, velvety, crimson-red, veined dark red. Beard broad, golden brown. [William Mohr X probably Bruno]. Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order **\$1.00**

NOMOHR — Most ruffled of all; see **picture** & description, page 42.

OZIE WATERS (Linse '56) E-36" A genuine break in color that is nothing short of sensational. Here is a big fellow in **deep rose-red** with a brownish suffusion at haft, **old gold beard** & prominent **black signal patch**. What a combination! A very full flaring flower with a very pleasing fragrance. After seeing this you'll say goodbye to old Elmo. Plenty of pollen, so start daubing. [Spellbound X Capitola]. Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$8.95**

PHOSPHORESCENT (Craig '51) E-36" Unusual descendant of Joppa Parrot. **Fertile both ways**. Blend of Naples yellow & golden ochre, hafts of madder brown. Well named. [Gay Senorita X Joppa Parrot]. Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order **70c**

PINK MAUVE MOHR (Noyd '56) EM-34" Charming deep-mauve self attractively set off by **tangerine beard**, unusual among Oncobreds. **Remarkable pod parent**, throwing whites, pinks, orchids & pinks overlaid light blue, all with **tangerine beards**. A dandy to start your hybridizing fun. [(Ormoir x Indian Hills) X Loomis Shell Pink Sdlg.]. Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.50**

PINK MARBLE — Beautifully marbled foliage. See **Novelties**, page 13.

PINK MOHR — See color photograph and description on page 39.

Best Inexpensive PINK Oncobred

PRESENT VE-32" Like a triumphant queen, tall, breathtaking, retaining the exotic Onco charm. Alluring amethyst-pink, embroidered like handiwork of the East with fine tracery of deep pink veins, set off by a **blackish rose beauty spot**. **AM'49**. \$1.75; on \$15 order **\$1.25**

PUNCH BOWL (Craig '51) EM-36" A profuse blooming, very popular favorite. Standards large, white, veined all over in burgundy. Falls **Onco-type, white with burgundy border & center stripe**. Well branched. [((Tiffany x Los Angeles) x sib.) X Joppa Parrot]. Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

PURISSAMOHR ML-40" Pure white of faultless classic form. Large, heavy subenced, closed domed standards, broad, flaring falls. Delightfully ruffled. **Superb blood for breeding**. Sets seed. Pollen abundant. Hardy. Sweet fragrance. **HM'52**. Regularly \$1.25; on \$15 order **95c**

"Flowers belong to fairyland; the flowers, the birds and the butterflies are all that the world has kept of its golden age—the only perfectly beautiful things on earth."—OUIDA.

**KALIFA
GULNARE**

JALLAH EFFENDI

(White '52) E-30" Amazingly colorful. My top favorite in this group. Standards buff yellow, delicate mahogany veins, sometimes a chartreuse tinge. Falls cinnamon yellow, flushed red, peppered in purple. Wide heavy orange beard. Hardy, increases well. Pollen highly fertile, gave fat pods with many seeds on most Oncobreds; also set seed heavily. Your chance for a dandy breeder at low cost. 44 chromosomes Reg. \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.35; 3 for \$9.55**

19 of C. WHITE'S NEWEST FERTILE Oncobreds

NEW GREATLY REDUCED PRICES

These NEW C. White Oncobreds approach very closely true Oncos in both form & in their glamorous colorings. So now YOU can have "Onco flowers" on easily-grown Bearded plants. To make that dream possible was the life-ambition of the late Clarence White. The 19 varieties I offer you represent final culmination of his 3 decades of painstaking hybridization. Most of the lovable, widely-grown little Oncobreds he produced thru the 1930's and '40's had only 22 chromosomes, were completely sterile, could yield no descendants. But these later creations nearly all have 44 chromosomes, are nearly all FERTILE, some abundantly so. What is more, they are masterpieces in exotic color patterns, clearly showing the Onco that is in their ancestry. They range in size from large to huge. If you have not tried some of these NEW ones you are missing the thrill of a lifetime—for hybridizing nothing surpasses them! Better to get a few of these new wonders than a host of old varieties that will transmit inferior qualities to your treasured seedlings. Most varieties may be sold out by fall. These contain so much Onco blood that their rhizomes are small, Onco-like.

ARJUNA AGA (White '53) EM-28" Exceptionally colorful. Standards a quaint mingling of salmon & lilac; falls apricot-buff, fetching 1/2" blackish maroon signal, orange-bronze beard. Style crests stand out in buff-yellow. Falls semi-flaring. Heavy Onco ancestry. Adequate pollen. 44 chromosomes. Regularly \$6.00; on \$15 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$11.25**

ASOKA OF NEPAL (White '50) VE-M-30" A fascinating combination of unique patterns found in Joppa Parrot & Near East. Strongly splashed, having a pattern reminding one of a Persian rug. Standards mauve with fine violet veins, greenish-yellow ribs. Falls olive ochre, veined vinaceous russet, splashed blackish-crimson. Easy to grow even in cold climates. Pollen very fertile. 44 chromosomes. Regularly \$9.00; on \$15 order **\$5.95**

BALI AGHA (White '52) VE-L-34" Here's my nomination for an incredibly fascinating and very colorful (see color plate, page 40) successor to the hard-to-grow Joppa Parrot. Surpasses "Joppa" in almost every way, but most important, it is very vigorous & easy-to-grow, producing stalks almost yard high. Flowers even larger, done in a very similar pattern, with the color exploding fantastically in both standards & falls. Wiloh Wilkes reports 27 seeds from Imam Ahmid X Bali Agha; 130 seeds from Kalifa Gulnare X Bali Agha. So these new Oncobreds are inter-fertile. 44 chromosomes. Stock scarce. Hurry! Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **\$3.95**

BEISAN AGA (White '54) M-28" One of finest approaches to black from Oncobred side. Huge blend of dark grayish violet, heavily washed & streaked with black, with a black signal, brown beard. Style crests light maroon. Novel color combination. Visitors fall in love with it. Does well even in damp climate of Seattle. Form resembles a true Onco. Appears to have pollen as potent as the old standbys: Capitola, Ib Mac True, & Joppa Parrot. 45 chromosomes. HM'60. Regularly \$4.50; on \$15 order **\$2.95; 3 for \$8.40**

BLACK JOPPA (White '54) M-32" Blackish version of Joppa Parrot. Blackish slate & orchid gray, veined & stippled rosy brown. Of even broader form than Joppa Parrot, more vigorous growing. Sets seed more easily than "Joppa," fertile pollen. Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order **2 for \$5.00**

CHENIK AGA (White '54) VE-26" Doubtful if any Iris created by C. White has been more coveted than Chenik Aga. A giant flower with plenty of Onco characteristics, resembling Joppa Parrot, but wildly brilliant. This fabulous Iris is world renowned. Done in cream-buff & golden-orange. Standards very heavily splashed purple-red, falls heavily splashed blackish maroon, stiff, flaring, wide, broad at haft. Beard deep bronze, wide. Pollen very fertile, gave me several good sets. Reg. \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95; 3 for \$25.35**

IMAM AHMID (White '56) M-35" Very beautiful. Standards lilac, deeper veined; falls old gold dusted with golden sparkles. A large flower, clearly shows Onco ancestry. A strong tall grower. Known to pass its vigor to its seedlings. Pollen abundant, fertile; splendid seed-setter. 44 chromosomes. Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

IMAM JABAN (White '56) M-30" A novel bitone of large size. Standards oyster-shell white, cream lined; falls primuline yellow, edged lighter; beard straw-yellow. Pollen fertile; sets seed with C. White things. 44 chromosomes. Reg. \$6.00; on \$15 order **\$3.95**

"I wish we could go to sleep now and wake up at Iris time."
Miss Martha Schroeder, Rockford, Ill.

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IMAM SALAH (White '56) E-28" A large flower with a bold but soft, pleasing coloring in sulphur yellow, with amber yellow overtones on falls; whole flower accented by a dusky purple signal. A heavy bloomer; 15 flower stalks on a 2-year clump. Pollen fertile; sets seed well with pollen from new White Oncobreds; also W. Wilkes reports 26 seeds from Real Gold X Imam Salah. 44 chromosomes. HM'60. Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$16.95**

JABAL KERAK (White '55) E-30" A bicolor with greenish-white standards, pale lemon yellow falls, a primuline yellow beard. A dramatic signal patch in dahlia purple completes unique color pattern. Good breeder. 44 chromosomes. Regularly \$9.00; on \$15 order **\$5.95; 3 for \$15.15**

KALIFA BALTIS (White '55) VE-40" Richly patterned, elegant bitone. Standards light yellow buff. Falls golden olive buff, flushed red from haft, with small crimson signal at end of bronze beard. A real novelty, favorite of many of our visitors. Quite vigorous growing. Very fertile both ways; yielding vigorous seedlings. 44 chromosomes. HM'60. Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order **\$4.95**

***** Oncobred STAR PERFORMER *****

KALIFA GULNARE (White '55) E-34" Huge amoena-variegata bicolor. One of C. White's greatest achievements. Lavender standards, falls with crimson signal, golden-buff edge. Beard broad, bronze. Unusually beautiful. Everyone who sees it wants "a piece." Excellent parent, giving heavy sets of seed both as seed & as pollen parent. A wonderful grower & should succeed in many areas. HM'59. 44 chromosomes. You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words. See page 24. Regularly \$10.00; on \$15 order **\$6.65; 3 for \$18.95**

KALIFA HIRFA (White '55) E-32" Has been extremely scarce, practically unavailable heretofore. Both plant & flowers are Aril-like, but stalks & leaves are taller, more vigorous than in true Arils. Standards pleasing lavender & gray; falls old gold splashed purple with heavy mulberry signals. Beard strange dahlia purple. 44 chromosomes. Regularly \$20.00; on \$30 order **\$14.95**

KALIFA KABUL (White '56) E-30" A curious olive green; abundant pollen, will seed; useful to breeders of Oncobreds & greens; & for arrangement enthusiasts who want something strange & different. Standards chartreuse shading to Indian buff, falls absinthe yellow, marked with olive sheen & Indian buff, splashed brown. Vigorous. 44 chromosomes. Regularly \$12.00; on \$20 order **\$8.95; 3 for \$22.80**

LABAN EFFENDI (White '54) M-32" Destined for great popularity with gardeners & flower arrangers. Standards softly colored like a Foxglove; falls Catawba, blended & veined on lighter ground, intense black signal, like an Onco. Judges love it & call it "Sugar Plum." Vigorous grower, prolific increaser. Fertility not yet reported. Try it & let me know. Regularly \$2.00; on \$15 order **\$1.50**

PHOEBUS APOLLO (White '54) EM-36" Sensational, breath-taking; contender for best yellow Iris. Some Onco blood, but Tall Bearded characteristics. A rich deep wax-yellow. Remarkable substance; falls flaring, waved. Splendid branching; fragrant; potent pollen, sets seed. HM'55; RU-White Mem.'59. Regularly \$4.00; on \$15 order **\$2.95**

SAYYED YARMUK (White '56) ML-30" Large, very round, richly colored flowers produced in profusion. A bicolor with light lobelia-violet standards & dark Spanish raisin falls, blended buff border. Splendid pollen, sets seed. Wiloh Wilkes comments: "It's such a beautiful thing I'd sure like to see its offspring." Reg. \$20.00; on \$30 order **\$14.95**

TATAI PASHA (White '55) M-30" Most vivid & nearest to orange of any of the White hybrids. A big, vigorous orange-yellow. Falls penciled red-russet. Fetching brown signal. You'll love it. Pollen very profuse. 44 chromosomes. Regularly \$6.00; on \$15 order **\$3.95; 3 for \$11.25**

White's Oncobred Starter—No. 54—3 marked ●, \$10.50 value, for \$6.95



(Gibson '55) EML-38" Rich ham-boo-cream, close to top of Oncobreds in size, ruffling, color appeal. Heaviest ruffled of all Oncobreds; very heavy substance holds ruffling in place. Falls strongly flaring spreading out to 7". Note the awards & you will see that the judges have found & recognized this beauty. Fertile both ways. HM'56; JC'57 [Snow Flurry X Elmoir]. See Ekta-chrome Regularly \$3.00; on \$15 order \$2.70

RARE PEARL
(Schramm '54) EM-36" A delight in bewitching mother-of-pearl, bringing to the easy-to-grow Mohr family much of the charm of a true Onco. A blended pearly cream, flushed violet. One of prettiest, most unusual of the Mohrs. Vigorous, healthy. Sets seed. HC'53 [Elmoir X Mt. Washington]..Reg. \$1.75; on \$15 order \$1.25



REAL GOLD — See color photograph and description on page 39.

RED BUTTERFLY (Linse '56) ML-40" An arrangers' Iris deluxe! Most striking of the wonderful butterfly series in that the white veins on the red falls are so very prominent. This, then, is a modern version of the renowned Butterfly Wings done in red, white, & gold with fine clear colors. Surprisingly for an Oncobred, this has splendid four-way branching & is a real husky grower. Will soon be widely used by hybridizers as it is fertile both ways. [Butterfly Wings X Spellbound].....Regularly \$4.50; on \$15 order \$2.95

RED JOPPA (Austin '59) EM-38" Striking new Oncobred done in tones of red. Standards light crimson, veined deeper. Light crimson of falls merges to flush of deep red in center, below black beauty spot & heavy gold beard. Stalks well-branched, quite tall for an Oncobred. A descendant of famed Joppa Parrot. [Maytime X Joppa Parrot].....Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order \$3.30

ROSEMOHR M-40" One of largest & tallest of Mohrs in pink tones. Huge rosy pink flowers, flaring ruffled falls, typical Mohr veining. John Ohl, Kansas Oncobred enthusiast, reports this appears very good.Regularly \$1.50; on \$15 order \$1.00

SANDY MOHR (Loomis '57) M-36" A big unusual William Mohr derivative. Fetching bicolor in tones quite unusual among Mohr offspring. Standards yellow-tan; falls deeper yellow-brown. Large flowers of characteristic Mohr shape & substance. Excellent branching.Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order \$3.35; 3 for \$8.55

SCARLET BUTTERFLY (Austin '60) E-36" Fascinating Oncobred bringing to much sought Butterfly Wings pattern a brighter & more attractive coloring. A red version of renowned Butterfly Wings. Standards pale red, flushed yellow. Falls dark scarlet, prominent white area around beard. Dark scarlet veins cross this white area, extending to edges of scarlet falls. Reddest of Oncobreds, approaching dark scarlet, a color sought by Iris breeders for generations. Plentiful pollen. Well branched stalks bearing about 7 flowers. [Butterfly Wings X Rocket].....Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order \$4.95; 3 for \$12.60

For HYBRIDIZERS Only!

SHARKSIANA (Earl Roberts '59) VE-14" If you're a hybridizer you just won't be able to pass this one by—but if you just want real beauty & charm I'm afraid I can't recommend Sharksiانا, for it is the only Iris in this catalog I can best describe as a HORROR. Then why grow it? For lots of reasons! Most important, & speaking a bit technically, it has 44 chromosomes (24 from Sharkskin & 20 from Susiana), which makes it a second lb-Mac True, but wholly unlike that variety (which is world-famous as an Oncobred pollen parent) this one sets seed. Earl has set 2 pods on it by selfing so pollen should be at least somewhat fertile too. Standards pure white, nicely arched; falls white flushed light chartreuse green, with deep chartreuse veins at haft, lightly splashed soft purple, quite narrow. Beard light yellow, narrow.

Positively known to be half Onco. Almost all familiar Oncobreds are either of unknown parentage, or only a small part Onco, usually ¼ or ½. But here is a FERTILE hybrid carrying many genes from most popular of true Oncos, Susiana. Will grow easily in your bed of Bearded Iris! I foresee a whole new upsurge in hybridizing, for the legions of breeders of Arilbreds will want to try their hand at crossing it with very best of their Tall Bearded Iris. It may prove to be the key to many wondrous new Oncobreds. If you order Sharksiانا this year you'll be right in on the ground floor, & perhaps I can report YOUR hybridizing results in this catalog before long. A 1959 introduction, so world-wide stocks are still exceedingly meager. Need more be said? [Sharkskin X Susiana].....Regularly \$7.50; on \$15 order \$4.95; 3 for \$14.10

STRIPED BUTTERFLY (Noyd '58) M-35" Here we have the stunning veined pattern of Butterfly Wings in an entirely new color. Actually bluer than most blue Iris & has heavy Butterfly Wing veining & deeper blue on the falls. So striking every visitor falls for it & immediately wants to get a start. An Iris that will immediately add to your garden the exotic feeling of the Oncos from Israel. Already it is seed parent of Jazz Baby & pollen parent of marvelous Chartreuse Butterfly. Better start using it in YOUR crossing. HM'58; RU-C. White Mem. '60 [Butterfly Wings X Cahokia]...Reg. \$17.50; on \$25 order \$16.60

SUNFROST (Peterson '57) ML-36" William Mohr descendant that is a wonderful addition to yellow amoenas. A real beauty with perky, perfectly formed flowers. Standards waxy white; falls round, perfectly horizontal, lovely, clean, medium yellow dimming slightly at edges. Hafts free of venations. Made a real hit at a recent Salt Lake Iris show. Why not exhibit it at your show & win a prize? Partially fertile both ways; compatible with new C. White Oncobreds. [(William Mohr) x (Happy Days x Wabash)] X Moontide].....Regularly \$5.00; on \$15 order \$3.35; 3 for \$8.55

TROPHY (Linse '58) EM-37" A truly magnificent flower that calls visitors from all parts of the garden. The great, spreading 9" blossoms are of the heaviest substance & have falls 4" wide. Nearly a self in Lobelia blue, with great frilly style arms, and a beard of bright, deep blue. Somewhat fertile, & a tremendous increaser. HM'58; RU-C. White Mem. '60 [New Snow X Capitola]...Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order \$9.95; 3 for \$28.35

TRUE GOLD — My new earlier, taller version of Real Gold, page 39.

WILLIAM MOHR, GIANT — Superseded by my vastly superior GIANT MOHR; description & life-like picture with Colossals, page 19.

WITCH DOCTOR — Immense and stunning, see Colossals, page 19.

YUSSUF EE-36" Bold flower with evident touch of the Near East. Very large, unique grayish mulberry, irregularly flecked cream.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order 70c

ZEBULON VL-36" Huge veined lilac rose & purplish crimson. Fertile.....Regularly \$1.00; on \$15 order 85c

For my listings of the fascinating **GREENISH ONCOBREDS**, see right half of page 29.

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17 NEW Color Plates

Yes, this year I have for you no less than 17 brand NEW reproductions of my own natural color photographs to add to all those I had before. This makes 38 new ones for you in 2 years! My aim is to make this a pictorial Guidebook to all 20 races of the easy-to-grow Bearded Iris. This year alone my full catalog mailing will take nearly three million color plates into the homes of flower lovers around the world so people everywhere will know what these new beauties look like. To be certain of getting typical flowers from the very same stock that I ship to you, I take ALL of my own color photographs in my new studio, adjacent to our Iris garden. I never stoop to using stock pictures and all of the color plates in this catalog are exclusive, appearing here only. I take great pains to personally correct the rendering of the colors and make all pictures as close to the actual flowers as can be done with the very latest improvements in color lithography. Thus a leisurely arm-chair excursion thru this catalog is almost like a trip thru my garden. I hope you enjoy it. Come again next year and see more new beauty unfolding before your eyes.

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There is absolutely no need to be content with the VERY SHORT late spring Tall Bearded blooming season shown in **BLUE**. Plan your Iris order to get as nearly year-round Iris bloom as your climate will permit taking full advantage of the various extended blooming periods of other types of Iris, as shown in light **RED**. Send your orders as early as you can, and not later than Sept. 10 for delivery this year. Blooming time varies somewhat with latitude, elevation, weather and other factors.

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DAWN OF THE

SPACE AGE IN IRIS

World's First FLOUNCED IRIS Herald Beginning of the SPACE AGE

For several years now my special seedbeds containing the many thousands of descendants of my horned race have been yielding up unbelievable treasures—seedlings so far advanced in floral embellishments that they surely belong to the **Age of Space**. These newest beauties, with the horns transformed to diverse petal-like decorative features, constitute my new race of **FLOUNCED IRIS**, presented to you in lifelike natural color on this page & on the front cover. These & my related **SPOONED IRIS** are the truly modern Iris, with developing wings to carry them to untold heights of popular acclaim. I exhibited several of these in the lobby of the Hotel Benson in May 1960, at the annual convention of the American Iris Society in Portland, Oregon. They contain no Onco blood, & are grown as easily as any Bearded Iris. For 7 more pictures of Spooned & Horned Iris, & for interesting sidelights on the evolution, characteristics & hybridizing of these three distinctive new races, see pages 14 & 15.

FLOUNCED MARVEL (Austin '61) ML-42" In **Flounced Marvel** the new flounces have reached the **most advanced Space-Age development** ever seen in any Iris. While flounces always vary somewhat from flower to flower, many of them are as large as shown in my **color photo on the front cover**. So named because everyone marvels that such a magnificent Iris, with such full decorative embellishments, could evolve in such a short time from simple slender horns that were the sensation only a few years back. Gorgeous large flowers borne on tall, erect stalks. **Unbeatable as a parent for new flounced Iris** as it is a very heavy seedsetter & produces pollen profusely. Very new tho it is, has already yielded 3 superb flounced seedlings and 1 dandy spooned one. Now's your chance to try it. 49 chromosomes. Seedling No. 8209. [Mulberry Snow X Happy Birthday]..... Regularly \$50.00; on \$75 order **\$35.00**

FLOUNCED LOVELINESS (Austin '61) M-ML-37" Another **Space-Age** Iris that is an exciting yet wholly charming member of my triumvirate of flounced Iris first offered to the public this spring. The intriguing & interestingly variable floral embellishments of **Flounced Loveliness** vary from simple horns to horns terminating in spoons up to 1" across, & on to **petal-like flounces often as large & elaborate as shown in natural color on the front cover**. Under favorable growing conditions, & near the peak of its bloom, fully half of all the flowers will have the adorable large folded flounces such as you see in my photo. By crossing this with other flounced Iris you may come up with a new one that carries the flouncing still further. This, too, is abundantly **fertile both ways**. 49 chromosomes. Seedling No. 8183 [Happy Birthday X Unicorn]..... Regularly \$35.00; on \$50 order **\$25.00**

FLOUNCED PREMIERE (Austin '61) EM-M-36" A truly glorious newcomer in which the narrow horns of its seedparent, Plumed Delight, have been **magically broadened & transformed into delightfully variable spoons & flounces, many petal-like, & some marvelously doubled, folded & frilled** as in my lifelike **photo on this page**. Viewers go into ecstasies over the infinite decorative & attention-getting possibilities of this newest creation, so completely attuned to the **Age of Space**. Imagine the sensation it would cause at an Iris show. Pollen rather scarce, but an excellent seedsetter. 48 chromosomes. Seedling No. 8206. **You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words**. See page 24. [Plumed Delight X Unicorn]..... Regularly \$30.00; on \$40 order **\$20.00**

Marvelous New SPOONED Iris

5 More Space-Agers To Fascinate You

FABULOUS FRINGES (Austin '61) ML-35" Truly a **decorator's delight**, for here the artistic touch has been achieved by evolution of a form that, while pleasingly variable, frequently produces flowers with **highly ornamental fringed spoons**, as may be seen in **color** on front cover. Sometimes spoons become narrow & horn-like; on the other hand, this new variety that is so fascinating to watch thru its long blooming season, may occasionally splurge with production of full-grown flounces, much like those in picture of Flounced Loveliness. **You'll be out early each morning to see what it is up to now**. An exceedingly fast increaser; rhizomes rather small. Fabulously fertile both ways, & very productive of wonderful flounced seedlings. 47 chromosomes. Seedling No. 8177. **You get 3 for Sale Price of 1 if you find Secret Words**. See page 24. [Happy Birthday X Horned Papa, introduced on page 14]..... Regularly \$25.00; on \$35 order **\$17.50**

Thru countless ages Iris form has remained unchanged. But since '54 3 new races have emerged thru controlled evolution.



FLOUNCED PREMIERE — A Space-Age Beauty. Open out front cover to see three other Space-Age Iris along with this.

WINGED IRIS FOR THE AGE OF SPACE

*This is, indeed, the Age of Space
And all things must conform;
The people, planets, even plants
Must range beyond the norm—
So Rainbow Garden's debutants
Zoom like a missile storm.*

*To keep the pace of modern
times,*

*The iris world needs wings;
This era copes with flying stars.
Strange as these fission things
Are changes in the forms of
flow'rs
That hybridizing brings.*

*The pattern, like an atom, burst
With iris Unicorn;*

*Spoons, fringes, flounces, plumes add
grace*

Evolving through the HORN . . .

*Like rocket thrusts, for each new race
Celestial wings are born.*

—George Nicholas Rees

FRINGED SPOON (Austin '61) M-38" Very much like **Fabulous Fringes** except for color. Standards soft light carmine; falls rich, velvety dark carmine, quite flaring. Much admired in seedling bed. Pollen available. Seedling No. 8212 [Unicorn X Ali Baba]..... Regularly \$20.00; on \$30 order **\$12.95**

SPOONED DELIGHT (Austin '61) M-34" Very first spooned plicata ever to be introduced, and a very pleasing one. Standards rosy amethyst, falls & spoons white, edged with a peppering to match standards. Spoons fan-shaped, usually about ¾" across, occasionally frilled or somewhat bearded. Beard light yellow. 48 chromosomes. Seedling No. 8190 [Plumed Delight X Pink Unicorn]..... Regularly \$20.00; on \$30 order **\$12.95**

LEMON SPOON (Austin '61) M-40" An Iris of great & highly interesting diversity in the types of decorative embellishments with which it can surprise you. In its most elemental form, flowers have long, often flattened horns which may be forked at end, & as much as 1½" long. Much more commonly, however, you'll have flowers bedecked with gay yellow spoons varying from slender types to broad rounded ones an inch in diameter, sometimes folded or even fringed. When plant is pleased with growing conditions you supply, it goes all out in production of full-fledged flounces. A creamy lemon yellow, deepening to bright yellow in heart of flower. Fertile both ways. Has already yielded 2 fine flounced seedlings & a dandy spooned one. 48 chromosomes. Seedling No. 8185 [Happy Birthday X Horned Papa]..... Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95**

SPOON OF GOLD (Austin '61) M-36" A remarkably sparkling bright light yellow producing interesting bearded horns, oftentimes ending in spoons that are sometimes rounded & flat, & sometimes folded, & occasionally attaining sizes of 1" to 1½" across. The best of the spooned Iris for producing superior flounced & spooned seedlings—I've gotten 4 worthwhile flounced ones & 2 good spooned ones already. So if you're planning to breed, don't pass up this one. 49 chromosomes. Seedling No. 8178 [Happy Birthday X Horned Papa]..... Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95**

Newest in HORNED Beauties

All In Tune With The Modern Trend

HORNED MYSTERY (Austin '61) L-40" Most brilliant of all horned & spooned Iris. Standards bright pink, flushed yellow. Falls brilliant crimson, with striking snow-capped effect, resembling pollen parent Mulberry Snow. Beard also white, adding to effect. The mystery arises as to why it is sometimes a stunning horned Iris, with pure white needle-like horns 1" to 1½" long, & sometimes a breath-taking spooned one, with bright red spoons as large as 1" across, at ends of white horns. Highly decorative in either form; sure to cause lots of excitement. See what it will do for you! 48 chromosomes. Pollen plentiful. [Maytime X Mulberry Snow]..... Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95**

DOUBLE HORN (Austin '61) ML-32 Only Iris with double horns. Beard heavy, orange, ending in a double horn. Lower horn 1¼", often ending in a small spoon. Upper horn is bearded, about ½" long, & is really a continuation of the beard. Crossing with **Fabulous Fringes** or **Fringed Horn** should bring forth new & highly interesting manifestations of decorative flower forms. Be the first to try it! Mulberry-red, almost a self; horns & spoons mulberry-pink. 48 chromosomes. [Plumed Delight X Horned Rosyred]..... Regularly \$15.00; on \$25 order **\$9.95**

HORNED PAPA — Budgeteer's breeder for spoons and flounces, page 14..... Regularly \$3.50; on \$15 order **\$2.95**

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